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Aggression Must Be Halted or War May Sweep World

Washington, May 5.

"I warn Germany, Japan and Italy that if dictatorships push democratic nations too far, the result will be a war."

This significant declaration was made by the Secretary of War, Mr. H. H. Woodring, in the course of a speech to-day.

Because the Japanese occupation of Manchuria was without effective opposition from the Democratic Powers, it had started a chain of events such as German re-armament, the occupation of the Rhineland, the Abyssinian and Spanish Wars and the Japanese invasion of China.

Democracies were now most pacific, but if pressed too far a wave of indignation may sweep over them, making it most difficult to keep peace.

"It is essential to halt this continued aggression before it gets out of hand," Mr. Woodring declared.

"I do not believe there is any danger of a general war, but the world situation is such that the United States must build up its defenses, because whenever a foreign war impends our own peace is less secure,"—Reuter.

Japan Primarily To Blame

Washington, May 5. Speaking to the United States Chamber of Commerce to-day, and plainly addressing militarily-minded nations, Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary for War, warned Japan, Italy and Germany that if they push democracies too far there will be war.

Mr. Woodring blamed world chaos primarily upon Japan.

"There seems to be no question that the Japanese occupation of Manchuria in 1931 was the beginning of a chain of events which led directly to much of the present difficulty," he said.

Mr. Woodring included German re-armament, conscription and occupation of the Rhineland and Italy's attack on Ethiopia and armed intervention in Spain in the same category as the Japanese invasion of China.—United Press.

**U.S. Prepared Evacuate
Citizens**

London, May 5. American Consulates throughout Europe, acting on instructions from the State Department, are preparing re-checking plans to evacuate thousands of American residents in the event of war.

The preparations are designed to avoid the confusions which resulted from attempts to evacuate Americans in August, 1914.

United Press has conducted a survey of the European countries containing the largest number of American residents. Most of the Consulates declined to discuss the survey, others insisted that it was merely routine and similar to arrangements which have been carried out in the Far East in past years.

The United Press survey indicated that the major problem would consist in providing a sufficiency of shipping, and indicated that the United States would probably be forced to rush transports across the Atlantic to handle the evacuation.—United Press.

**TRINIDAD'S GOVERNOR
SEES HIS KING**

London, May 5. His Majesty the King, who returned from his tour of Scotland, received Sir Herbert Young, Governor of Trinidad.—Reuter.

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Chamberlain's Defence

London, May 5. Moving the Second Reading of the Eire (Confirmation of Agreement) Bill, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, paid a tribute to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald for his inexhaustible patience and sympathy in connection with the negotiations.

The four questions which were reviewed at the Anglo-Irish meetings were Partition, Defence, Finance and Trade.

The Partition question has been left aside since Britain made it perfectly clear that it was a subject which must be discussed between Northern Ireland and Eire, and that Britain could not even think of putting pressure upon Northern Ireland to come to any arrangement which might not commend itself to the Northern Ireland Government.

The Trade Agreement with Eire might be considered equally beneficial to both parties," Mr. Chamberlain told the House.

"We believe that the coal-mining industry in particular will welcome the advantages that may be expected.

"On the face of it, the Defence and Finance agreements do not constitute good agreements for Great Britain, because they make the largest and most impressive concessions to Eire without superficially corresponding advantages to Britain.

"But one must look outside the agreements for intangible, imponderable but nevertheless invaluable fruits which, on various occasions in the past, have rewarded an unselfish act of generosity by a great and powerful nation towards a weaker

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NAVAL PLANE SINKING



The plane from H.M.S. Birmingham, sunk on Tuesday after it capsized in the harbour, raised yesterday by the mooring vessel Moorlake, is pictured here a few minutes after her crash. Rescue ships are standing by to pick up pilot and observer, who were unhurt.

FRANCE SEEKS NO TRADE ADVANTAGES BY DEVALUATION

London, May 5. In a statement on the devaluation of the French franc, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons this evening that, in accordance with the tripartite agreement, consultations took place between Great Britain, the United States and France early this week.

In consequence of these conversations the French Government was informing Great Britain and the United States that France could not have maintained the franc at the old level and that she was contemplating a lower rate.

The French Government had given an assurance that it intends to achieve a rate corresponding to the economic position, and giving France no competitive trade advantage. Assurance had also been made that the present downward movement would be the last.

Britain and the United States had consequently concluded that the action of the French Government was not inconsistent with the tripartite agreement and the three Governments had considered that the agreement still continued in full force.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer added that Washington had officially and vigorously denied that the value of the U.S. dollar might be lowered.

"Equally, we are not contemplating any adjustment to sterling exchange," Sir John concluded.

Mr. James Griffiths asked Sir John Simon to consider the effect devaluation of the franc would have on British export trade.

He asked particularly whether, during the last nine months, as a devaluation of the franc, which coal, was not being driven out of France and replaced by German coal because the German coal taxes being offset against devaluation of the franc.

Sir John replied that the effect of these things on external trade was always under observation.

—Reuter.

Shanghai Ship Free Of Ice

Helpless Off Sakhalin Since Last Autumn

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The 3,930-ton Shanghai steamer Therese Moller, owned by the Moller Line, which has been ice-bound off Sakhalin since the autumn, was released to-day.

The freighter was freed of the ice by Soviet divers and will be taken to Alexandrovsk and Sakhalin.—Reuter.

Japanese Seize Alleged Agent For Guerrillas

For Guerrillas

Tsinan, Shantung, May 6. Japanese Consular police here arrested Kuo Ching-hsiang, alleged agent of the Hankow Military Affairs Commission, on Tuesday.

Kuo, in whose possession police claim to have seized a pistol and a written commission issued by Chinese guerrilla headquarters, is charged with having arrived in Tsinan to attempt to stage incidents that would disturb the rear of the Japanese forces in the field.—Domei.

BRITISH TROOPS FIGHT FLOODS

New Enemy Sweeps Palestine

Baghdad, May 5. Severe storms have caused part of the River Euphrates to rise, and towns near Baghdad have been isolated by flooded waters.

British troops have been called out to assist in rescue and

JAPANESE DRIVING SOUTH FROM ANHWEI AIMING AT HSUCHOW

Hope To Relieve Pressure In Southern Sections

Hankow, May 6.

With the launching by the Japanese of a fresh northward drive from Anhwei severe fighting in the widest area so far seen is raging on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front.

The objective of the Japanese drive, according to competent military observers, is to relieve the Chinese pressure on the north sector of the railway line and to capture Hsuchow, in order to bridge the gap between the north and south sectors.

Operating with Pengpu and Hwaiyuan on the south bank of the Hwai River as bases, two Japanese columns, numbering 20,000 men, are pushing in the north and north-west directions to launch an enveloping movement on Hsuchow. Fierce fighting has already broken out on the banks of the Fei, Wo and Hwai Rivers.

Reinforced by about 1,000 men, the Japanese troops which have stolen across the Hwai River, made a renewed attack on the Chinese positions at Huchikow, on the south bank of the river, yesterday morning. Bringing their artillery into action, the Japanese heavily shelled the Chinese lines. In intervals of half an hour Japanese infantry units charged the Chinese lines. With their defence work totally demolished by Japanese artillery fire the Chinese withdrew across the Fei River toward evening.

Push Towards Hsuchow

Meanwhile, a Japanese column is pushing northward along the Chao-hsien-Hsien highway also with Hsuchow as its objective. The Japanese vanguard of about 200 men is reported to have reached Hsiaokochen, 7 miles north-west of Chao-hsien. Chinese reinforcements are pressing on Chao-hsien and its vicinity to checkmate their advance.

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HALIFAX TO ACT AT LEAGUE SESSION

Delicate Problems Before Council

London, May 5. Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, will be the chief British delegate to the League of Nations' Council meeting at Geneva last week.

One of the outstanding topics for deliberation will be the question of the recognition of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia.

Great Britain and France will work in concert, but it has been impossible to decide the method of procedure before the meeting.

It is highly unlikely that the Council will be prepared to adopt the resolution leaving to member-nations individual freedom to decide for themselves whether they should recognise the Italian conquest, as the Council decisions require a unanimous vote, which Soviet Russia's attitude might be expected to preclude.

It is expected that the Chairman will endeavour to sense the requirements of the meeting without proceeding to a vote on the subject.

Another interesting item on the agenda is the Swiss request to be allowed to remain a member of the League without the obligation to participate in sanctions. The British and French representatives are expected to support the request, and a formula with this object in view has already been devised.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Von Cramm Trial In Berlin Next Week

Berlin, May 5.

Gottfried von Cramm, the German tennis ace who has been under detention since March 7 on suspicion of moral delinquency, will be tried on May 14, according to an announcement to-day.—Reuter Special.

BRITISH FUNDS FOR WOUNDED

Hankow, May 6. Acting upon the recommendation of the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the Hankow Chapter of the London Lord Mayor's Fund has donated \$10,000 to the National Red Cross Society of China. The money will be spent by the Medical Commission on First Aid for wounded Chinese soldiers.—Reuter.

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30 minutes to look your best

GIVEN time, looking your best is merely a matter of fussing enough over small details of clothes and make-up.

So that women who can spend their mornings at the dressmaker, their afternoons at the hairdresser and beauty parlour, coming home in time for a short rest before dressing for a party, should, and usually do, go out looking like a million dollars.

Which is irritating, to say the least of it, for those of us who are so busy that we can spare at most half an hour for getting decked up.

Excuses will not Work

THE truthful excuse that "I was kept late at the office" or the shop, or whatever it is, doesn't work for a woman. Men will sympathise with you if you are looking tired or rather dragged, but who wants sympathy anyway?

No, even if you have worked nine hours you mustn't look like it. To compete with these women who've spent all day getting ready for the party when you can spend thirty minutes is not so easy, but it can be done.

Plan your Background Right

TAKE a few tips from cabaret or chorus girls, who have to make maybe six changes in sixteen minutes. I asked one of them how she did it.

First thing, she told me, was to make certain beforehand that the background of your clothes and your make-up is right.

The evening before a party have or less to routine. There's nothing a look over your truck to see that more sooths than routine and it's a look over your truck to see that more sooths than routine, important you should feel soothed it doesn't want a stitch anywhere, important you should feel soothed that it's clean, pressed, ready to step and confident instead of flurried or harassed.

See that your hair is fixed and you want to sell the idea that only needs combing out into shape, that your nails are neat and polished, that your underclothes and stockings are in good order.

You want to sell the idea that you are going to feel and look your best to yourself as well as other people.

If you don't have to worry about any of those things on the evening look at the clock, and see it is half-past seven and you're being fetched at eight, don't let yourself feel hunted for time.

Quick-change Routine

THESE should be done, said the quick-change girl, more

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PREPARING A One Servant DINNER

IT is a great mistake to think, because you have only one servant, that you cannot make your friends who have many servants to dinner with you. If you make simplicity the keynote of your meal, and do not attempt to compete with the elaborate menus of your richer friends, you will be able to give just as successful a dinner.

Choose dishes you have had before, or try new ones out on the family first. Avoid anything that needs a lot of attention, and do as much beforehand as possible. Here are some short cuts:

Soup

THIS can be made the day before, or buy one of the excellent brands of tinned soup which only need reheating. A good consomme can be varied by the addition of cooked vermicelli, heads of tinned asparagus, chopped cooked celery, or just sherry. A delicious clear tomato soup is made by cutting a pound of tomatoes into thin slices and covering with cold water. Season well and simmer for 20 minutes, mashing with a wooden spoon to get out all the goodness. Strain and mix with twice the quantity of strong consomme.

Fish

FRIED fish has to be done at the last minute and is rather smelly, so choose a baked dish.

BAKED FILLETS are particularly easy to prepare. Rub any white fish with a piece of lemon and then dust with seasoned flour. Brush with beaten egg, coat with browned crumbs, and put into a greased tin. Pour over a little melted butter and bake in a moderate oven (Regulo Mark 5) for 20 minutes.

BAKED SCALLOPS are also delicious. Simmer fillets of fish in milk with a little butter until plump, slice, put in the deep shells, thicken the liquor in which they were cooked and pour over. Cover with buttered crumbs and bake for 15 minutes in a good oven.

SOLE AU GRATIN. Either steam or bake some fillets of sole with butter and lemon juice, then arrange neatly in a fire-proof dish. Pour cheese sauce over the fish and brown at the top of the oven or under the grill. A very good cheese sauce can be bought ready prepared. Heat the opened tin in a saucepan of hot water before pouring over the fish.

Meat

CHOPS PRINCESS. Get your butcher to bone some chops and tie them into neat rounds. Cover each with sausage meat, and put into a well-buttered tin with some pieces of butter. Bake in a moderate oven (Regulo Mark 6) for about half an hour. Mushroom or celery sauce is good with these, and a quick way to make it is to add some chopped cooked mushrooms or celery to a small tin of the cream soup.

VEAL CUTLETS. Trim some pieces of fillet of veal, flatten with a cutlet bat, dip in beaten egg and then in fine breadcrumbs mixed with powdered herbs, salt, pepper, and a little grated lemon rind. Coat well beforehand so that the egg has time to harden, then fry in butter on both sides and serve with rolls of bacon. Tomato sauce or grilled tomatoes are a good accompaniment.

POTATO CAKES are excellent with any of these dishes. Mash 1½ lb. cooked potatoes with 4 oz. of butter until very smooth, work in 6oz. of flour and a generous pinch of salt, roll out, cut with a round cutter and put on a cake tray. Bake at the top of hot oven for 20 minutes.

Sweets

COLD CHOCOLATE CREAM. 8oz. plain chocolate in a double boiler with 1 pint milk and 2oz. sugar. Add 4 beaten egg yolks, stir until it thickens, then strain in 1oz. melted gelatine. Cool, fold in the stiffly whipped egg whites, and put into a souffle dish, with a band of stiff paper pinned round the top. Decorate with whipped cream and crystallised violets.

APPLE CREAMS. Stew 2lb. apples, cut without peeling, with a piece of lemon-peel and a gill of water until tender. Rub through a sieve, sweeten to taste and mix with custard made with 2 eggs and ½ pint milk and a gill of whipped cream. Add ½ oz. melted gelatine. Fold in 2 stiffly whipped egg whites, and tint pale green. Put into grapefruit glasses and decorate with whipped cream and glace fruit.

Savoury

CHOOSE a cold one, such as anchovy eggs, trimmed with anchovy fillets, capers and pieces of tomato, or bundles of celery, stuffed with creamed cheese mixed with chopped walnuts, and arranged with a strip of pimento round each bundle. Or have a selection of three or four kinds of cheese on a wooden board, with some celery and a good selection of cheese biscuits.

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WAR INDICATIONS IN EUROPE

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Reduces The Tension

(Editor's Note: Europe, emerging from the gravest crisis since the World War, seemed to have escaped from the immediate danger of a general war the week following Hitler's occupation of Austria. Ed. L. Keen, European vice president of the United Press, says in the following dispatch. Keen, dean of foreign correspondents and a reporter of European affairs since before the World War, analyses the position of each of the principal powers and finds none eager for war.)

By Ed L. Keen

United Press European Vice President

PARIS.

PATCHES OF SILVER LINING WERE VISIBLE EVEN IN AS SHORT A TIME AS A WEEK AFTER WAR CLOUDS DARKENED EUROPE AS A RESULT OF HITLER'S OCCUPATION OF AUSTRIA. PEOPLE THEN WERE MORE FRIGHTENED THAN AT ANY TIME SINCE THE WORLD WAR.

But the week after, powerful forces began working to prolong peace. Unless there is another Sarajevo, another spark like the one that started the 1914 holocaust, war can be averted for months, even years.

The important fact to-day is that governments are calmer than their peoples. Among civilian populations in England and on the continent there is panic. Many of my English friends have withdrawn their sons from continental schools and are preparing to send them to the United States. Hoarding of canned goods has started. Austrian Jews have the choice of fleeing or submitting to the persecution of the swastika. Czechs wonder whether the Nazis are preparing for another thrust to the east and if so when. Lithuanians grumble over their government's capitulation to Poland.

But governments, not peoples, declare wars and nowhere in Europe is there a government that wants war now.

Soviet Russia, busy consolidating the Stalin regime through liquidation of many old-line Bolsheviks, does not want it.

None of those three great powers seeks territory. What they do seek, and seek desperately, is preservation of the status quo. To keep peace, England, France and Russia are willing to endure almost any provocation except direct attack. For example, the best information is that Soviet Russia would not have resorted to military intervention if Poland had invaded Lithuania. It is uncertain whether France would attack Germany if Adolf Hitler should attempt to absorb 2,500,000 Germans in Czechoslovakia.

But informed persons believe Hitler probably will refrain from further Balkan adventures until he consolidates his position in Austria.

The bite that Germany took out of middle Europe when she absorbed Austria seems to have appeased the Nazi hunger for land temporarily. Now she must digest what she has eaten. Hitler now controls the bottle-neck through which land, air and water communications to southeastern Europe must flow. Thus he is in a position to fulfill one of his ambitions—the break-up of the Little Entente—by economic and diplomatic pressure rather than by a resort to arms.

Hitler's speech on March 18 reflected this new attitude of restraint. He devoted most of it to a justification of his Austrian putsch. It was devoid of threats. He omitted his customary denunciation of Bolshevism and avoided special mention of Czechoslovakia. The interpretation placed on that speech here is that he does not desire to provoke Soviet Russia and that he has decided to step warily in view of the fact that France has reaffirmed her intention of defending Czechoslovakia against aggression.

But it would be dangerous to be too optimistic over a continent on which so many nations are clustered, separated, in many cases, by nothing but artificial boundaries. Resumption of diplomatic relations between Poland and Lithuania will not mean that all their problems have been solved. Poland still wants autonomy for the 200,000 Poles in Lithuania; she wants access to Lithuania's Baltic ports; she wants to drive a diplomatic wedge between Lithuania and Soviet Russia.

The situation in Czechoslovakia is less critical. The apparent willingness of the Czechs to give German-born citizens a more authoritative voice in the government has eased tension.

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"The essential differences in their viewpoints lie in the fact that men refer to the process as 'keeping fit' or by saying that 'one must be presentable.' Women admit that it's for beauty's sake that they join the programme."—United Press.

FORMER
HONGKONG
GOVERNOR
CRITICISES
NEW BOOK

Sir William Peel was for many years in the M.C.S. and finished his Malayan career as Chief Secretary to the F.M.S. Government, from which post he was promoted to Governorship of Hongkong.

He was invited by the Straits Times to comment on Professor Rupert Emerson's book, "Malaya: A Study in Direct and Indirect Rule." In which severe criticism is made of British imperialism in the Malaya States.

"Malaya" is a useful book of reference but is somewhat marred by a bias against Imperialism which amounts to unbalanced prejudice lacking in judgment and perspective, he writes. It can scarcely be denied that British colonisation has often been carried out in a large measure for the benefit of Imperial trade and capitalist interests rather than for the benefit of the indigenous races in the Colonies concerned.

But the latter have not been neglected and this is especially so in Malaya. Mr. Emerson is scarcely fair in his statement that the lot of the Malaya has "changed for the better only slightly, if at all." Communications have been vastly improved—a boon appreciated by all classes to greater extent than many people may realise.

HEALTH MEASURES

Health measures have been introduced which have resulted in reducing malaria and other diseases which led formerly to so much mortality. Fair incidence of taxation is in force and the Malays appreciate the fact that they know the extent of the levels and are no longer liable to indeterminate "squeeze."

It is doubtless true that their standard of living remains low but, in spite of Mr. Emerson's view to the contrary the Malay "ral'n" tends to maintain the philosophy of doing no more work than is necessary to provide him with a modest subsistence with which he is in the main contented.

Some years ago a planter in Kedah complained to me that he was anxious to employ local Malay labour but found it most difficult to obtain. He offered to raise the rate of pay from \$1 to \$2 a day, with the result that such Malays as came at all merely countered by working half the number of days. It requires some courage to attempt to destroy such philosophy.

Two Americans made powerful contributions to peace after the war in March. One was former President Herbert Hoover who said, after visiting 15 nations and interviewing leading statesmen, that war is unlikely in the near future. He believes that, in general, the will to peace is much stronger now than the will to war and he pointed out that the principal nations would not be prepared for war for two or three years.

There was impressive reaction throughout Europe to the speech of Joseph Kennedy, new United States Ambassador to England, who advised every one against proceeding on the dangerous assumption that the United States would not fight under any circumstances short of actual invasion. Europe has not forgotten that men and money from the United States delivered the knockout blow in the World War.

French and British political leaders are increasing their attempts to appease the "hungry" nations. Typical of these were the strong diplomatic appeals of France and Britain to Poland and Lithuania to reconcile their differences. And always in the background is the implied threat of an ever-increasing British navy and a strong French army.

The tragedy of Europe to-day, and the gravest threat to its peace, is the fact that the observance of treaties has broken down. All nations have reverted to "power politics" in which nothing matters except force. When and if war comes, the failure of nations to live up to their pledged word will have been a contributing factor.

TUSSAUD'S LOSES TRINKETS

London. The "dummy" V. C. on the breast of the wax figure of Jack Cornwell, boy naval hero, has been stolen from Madame Tussaud's Museum here. During the past year dozens of imitation jewels, snuff boxes and buttons were removed from figures of royalty, literary celebrities and criminals.

Kansas City.

I join issue with this view. Whatever opinions may be held regarding the high expenditure in boom years, largely to recover lost ground, there is no doubt that the Chief Secretary acted as a brake on State demands for increased expenditure, especially on public works.

Mr. Emerson's reference to the low living and working conditions of the Indian labourers is scarcely fair to the administration or to the planter. Such conditions are definitely higher in Malaya than in the Indians' own country.

AUTHOR WRITES 99th NOVEL

Napa, Cal. Charles H. Snow, blind writer of western fiction, is now writing his 99th novel and has already planned his 100th. His work is in such demand in England that one publishing firm there has contracted for all his con produce.



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BATTLE RAGES ALONG TIENSIN-PUKOW RAILWAY

(Continued from Page 1.)

On the northern sector of the Tientsin-Pukow line the Chinese general offensive continues to make steady progress. The centres of fighting yesterday were in the villages south-west of Tancheng and on the east flank of the Lincheng-Tsao-chwang-Tsai-chwang branch railway.

The Chinese forces made several onslaughts at Fengchayuan, Chinchwang and Tawangchuan, south-west of Tancheng in the morning. But owing to heavy Japanese artillery fire they were forced to withdraw. The Japanese are understood to be calling reinforcements from Linly.

On the east flank of the Lincheng-Tsao-chwang-Tsai-chwang branch railway the Chinese recaptured yesterday several vital points. The theatre of war is now at Wanhuan, a hilly district on the east bank of the Grand Canal.—Central News.

Chinese Success In Hangchow Area

Kinsh, May 6. Successes of the Chinese guerrillas operating in the vicinity of Hangchow in Chekiang are reported in military advices just received.

Tsingtao, north of Hangchow and east of Mokmen, it is stated, was recaptured by the Chinese mobile units on May 1, after a night-long battle.

On the same day, Chinese guerrillas launched a surprise attack at Kashan, north-east of Kashan on the Shang-hai-Cangzhou Railway. Following the attack on the railroad between Kashan and Sungkang.

Meanwhile, Yuhang, north-west of Hangchow, has been surrounded by the Chinese forces. In the afternoon of May 1 the Chinese attacked the west city gate.

A detachment of Chinese plain-clothes men engaged the Japanese in the vicinity of Kashan on May 3. The Japanese were dispersed. More than 1,000 pieces of food supplies were seized by the Chinese.

On the Fuyang sector, an ominous full prevailed yesterday. The Chinese are consolidating their positions outside the city.—Central News.

Himalayan Expedition At Bombay

German Climbers To Have Plane's Help

Bombay, May 5. The German Everest Expedition led by Mr. Paul Bauer, which intends to climb Mt. Nangaparbat, has arrived in Bombay.

The party includes Ulrich Lust, survivor of the 1927 expedition, who, in an interview, expressed optimism and hoped that better luck would be experienced by the present expedition.

It is worthy of note that an aero-plane will be employed this year, with a radio transmitter based at Srinagar to keep in touch with the party during the ascent of the mountain.

It will be recalled that Dr. Bauer led the rescue party last year when eight Germans and nine porters were killed.—Reuter.

Ambassador To Go On Leave

Maj.-Gen. Eugen Ott Quits Japan

Tokyo, May 6. Major-Gen. Eugen Ott, who from Military Attaché was recently promoted German Ambassador to Japan, will leave here to-day for Germany on furlough.

Major-Gen. Ott succeeded Dr. Herbert von Dirksen, new German Ambassador to the Court of St. James. The departing officer-diplomat called on Mr. Koki Hirota, Foreign Minister, to take his leave yesterday.—Domei.

Septuplets Born Dead

Cauto, Cuba, May 5. The septuplets born to Senora Casanova de Corrals are all dead.

There were six girls and a boy all of whom were dead at birth.

The seven infant bodies were buried this morning in a simple, common grave in the front yard of the thatched farmhouse where Senora Casanova lives with her white husband.

The births were premature.—United Press.

JAPAN'S MONEY NOT AFFECTED

Tokyo, May 6. Exchange bankers here to-day said they did not believe that Japan's exchange position would be much affected by the devaluation of the yen. A higher yen rate on New York as the result of a higher Anglo-American cross-rate was foreseen, however.

Yesterday's yen exchange on London remained unchanged but the rate on New York advanced half a point, being quoted to US \$2.2934. This was in response to the rising of the Anglo-American cross-rate by 11/16.

The Yokohama Special Bank raised its rate on France by 25 centimes quoting the yen at 9 frs. 85 centimes. —Domei.

COCOA TRADE REMEDY SOUGHT

Port of Spain, Trinidad, May 5. The Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution that the British Government be asked to call a conference of cocoa producing countries in London to discuss the question of the uneconomic state of the cocoa trade at present.—Reuter.

EXCHANGE RATES

May 3.	May 4.
Paris..... 100/3%	100/3%
Geneva..... 21.75 3/4	21.00
Berlin..... 12.40 1/4	12.40 1/4
Athens..... 547/4	547/4
Madrid..... 0/41	0/41
Oslo..... 10.00	10.00
Copenhagen..... 22.40	22.40
Stockholm..... 19.49 1/4	19.49 1/4
Helsingfors..... 22.01	22.01
Brussels..... 20.64 1/4	20.62 1/4
Shanghai..... 1/07	1/07
New York..... 4.00 3/4	4.00 3/4
Vienna..... 2.01	2.01
Amsterdam..... 8.00 3/4	8.00 3/4
Prague..... 1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2
Madrid..... 1.00	1.00
Lisbon..... 110/4	110/4
Hongkong..... 1/21 1/2	1/21 1/2
Bombay..... 1/0	1/0
Montreal..... 5.02 1/4	5.01 1/4
Yokohama..... 1/2	1/2
Belgrade..... 217	217
Bucharest..... 0.77 1/4	0.77 1/4
Montevideo..... 20/4	20/4
Buenos Aires..... 10.03 1/2	10.07
Rio de Janeiro..... 218	218
Silvers (Spot)..... 10/4	10/4
Silvers (Forward)..... 10/4	10/4
War. Long. 101 1/2	101 1/2

CHURCHILL DISTRUSTS DE VALERA

(Continued from Page 1.)

and poorer state," the Premier said amid applause.

Financial Settlement

Excluding Eire's annual payment of £250,000 with respect to damage to property, the British claims have been capitalised at over £100,000,000. The Government of Eire did not admit this claim; nevertheless Britain has been receiving over £4,000,000 annually from special dues.

All financial claims are being withdrawn in return for £10,000,000, Mr. Chamberlain informed the House.

"Nobody could deny that this was generous treatment, but if ever the dispute between Eire and Britain was to be ended, some compromise was inevitable.

"Further, we should recollect that we are not dealing with a foreign country, but with a partner in the Commonwealth of Nations, and therefore we were dealing with Eire not on terms of partnership and not on terms of competition."

Defence Difficulties

Proceeding, Mr. Chamberlain said that no part of the discussions gave more prolonged or more anxious moments than the subject of Defence, and the request made by Eire that Britain hand back full and unrestricted possession of certain forts, and repudiate certain articles of the 1921 Treaty, which gave Britain rights to those forts.

"After the most careful consideration of all the circumstances, and after due consideration by the Chiefs of Staff, we came to the conclusion that a friendly Ireland was worth far more to us, both in peace and in war, than our paper rights under the 1921 Treaty. These Treaty rights were only maintained perhaps by increasing the old ill-will between the two nations."

Mr. Chamberlain recalled Mr. de Valera's statement that Eire would not permit Irish territory to be used by any foreign power to attack the United Kingdom, and that he would put the forts in question into a proper state of defence.

Referring to the Northern Ireland representations that some provisions of the Anglo-Eire Agreement might materially affect Ulster's economic interests, Mr. Chamberlain said that the British Government had been able to meet the very considerable number of suggestions made to it.

He concluded by exhorting the House to bear in mind that the conclusion of the Anglo-Eire Agreement had obtained warm approval not only of the United Kingdom but in other countries, in the Dominions, the United States, indeed everywhere.

No Secret Understanding

After the Prime Minister, in reply to questions by Sir D. Reid and Mr. Winston Churchill, had given an assurance that there was no secret understanding behind the Agreement, Mr. Churchill declared that the Agreement seemed to have given everything away in return for £10,000,000.

"The Agreement does not end the Anglo-Irish quarrel, because Mr. de Valera said that he will never rest until Partition has been swept away," said Mr. Churchill.

The speaker recalled anti-British activities in Eire and the "dark forces in the Irish underworld" during the Great War.

The Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921, of which I am one of the few remaining signatories, has been repudiated and violated in every detail by de Valera.

"When experts were drafting the Treaty of 1921, the Admiralty advised me that without the use of the Irish ports it would be most difficult and perhaps impossible to feed the British Isles in war time.

"The Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921, of which I am one of the few remaining signatories, has been repudiated and violated in every detail by de Valera.

He suggested that the Bill might be postponed pending further arrangements regarding Treaty ports and common defence action.

MacDonald Replies

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, replying to the Debate, said that it was the faith of the British Government that by the exercise of the same tolerance and encouragement, and the same mutual respect and trust as had been achieved reconciliation between the French and British in Canada and the Dutch and the British in South Africa, another miracle of reconciliation could be achieved between the British and the Irish in Ireland.

Referring to the financial agreement, Mr. MacDonald said that the British Government confidently expected the balance sheet not to be simply a financial balance sheet.

"If we could receive from the Government of Eire friendship instead of suspicion and co-operation instead of opposition then, I sincerely believe, the giver will be twice blessed," he said.

Mr. MacDonald emphasised the Irish resentment at the British occupation of Irish ports, and said that the British Government, with its naval and military advisers, had deliberately come to the conclusion that the security of Great Britain would be greater after evacuation than it was.

The Agreement puts Ireland free from beyond shadow of doubt, and with the removal of the causes of dispute between the two nations, friendship between Britain and Ireland should inevitably and naturally grow."—Reuter.

JAPANESE REPORT CHINESE REPULSED

Peiping, May 5. "Little change" has occurred in southern Shantung, a communiqué said to-day.

Chinese counter-attacks north-east of Pihsien in northern Kiangsu on May 3 were repulsed, as were Chinese onslaughts against Chenchwang. "Chinese are surrendering in large numbers along the entire front."

In south-eastern Shansi, Japanese forces have advanced as far as Tsinghwachen on the banks of the Yellow River.—Domei.

RAPID ADVANCE REPORTED

Hsuehchow, May 5. The advance of the Chinese troops in their counter-attack in south Shantung has made rapid progress. The right and left flanks are sweeping through.

The right flank is engaging the Japanese at Motoucheng to the west of Tancheng, and several fresh Chinese divisions are pushing northward to join in the battle.

The Japanese strength at Tancheng consists of a brigade of the Fifth Division and a small detachment totalling about 5,000. They are greatly outnumbered by the Chinese.

At Huangchow and Chiaochwang the main strength of the Japanese is in the Tenth Division and it is being hotly pressed by the Chinese under the command of General Yu Hsueh-chung.

The Japanese troops who invaded Pihsien were driven back and left several hundred dead. Chinese reinforcements are daily pouring into the town.

The Japanese of communication between Tancheng and Pihsien has been disconnected following the collapse of the troops in this sector. The main body are retreating northward.—International.

JAPANESE MOPPING-UP

Hsuehchow, May 5. Mopping-up operations are being under taken by the Japanese forces at Hutung in an effort to stamp out the Chinese guerrillas operating at the north-west of Hsuehchow.

Chinese guerrillas once cut the Japanese communication between Tancheng and Linching on the Tsintien-Pukow line.—International.

TEAR GAS SAVES JAPANESE

Talierchow, May 5. A strong force of Japanese surrounded and hand pressed by the encroaching Chinese narrowly escaped complete annihilation by resorting to the use of tear gas during a fierce battle at Yuanchwang east of Talierchow yesterday.

Violent combat of unprecedented ferocity continued for two days on May 3 and 4. The Chinese threw a ring around the Japanese and gradually closed in from all sides.

Fighting desperately against the tightening Chinese ring, the Japanese steadily lost ground and for a time it seemed the entire force was doomed. Then they used tear gas bombs.

A detachment of Chinese troops, charging on the Japanese positions with hand grenades, light machine-guns and fixed bayonets, were greeted by suffocating and irritating fumes released from exploding gas bombs hurled from Japanese batteries.

The Chinese were surprised and stunned and loosened their grip, giving a chance for the Japanese to break through and retreat in a northerly direction. The Japanese, however, did not escape until more than 400 of their numbers

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH
MAY BE PURCHASED AT SELFRIDGE'SPOWERS LOOK TO AIR
LANDINGS IN THE
PACIFIC OCEANBy Julius C. Edelstein
United Press Staff Correspondent**T**HE UNITED STATES, GREAT BRITAIN AND OTHER NATIONS ARE CONTEMPLATING NEW STEPS TO ESTABLISH POSSESSION OF "KEY" ISLANDS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST PACIFIC, THE UNITED PRESS LEARNED IN AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS HERE.

This country recently ran up the American flag over Canton and Enderbury, two important and strategic Pacific islands whose title had been in dispute with Great Britain and it is now reported that Britain, Germany and Japan have interested themselves in establishing claim to other potential air-bases on the route to the rich markets of the Far East, Dutch Indies, Australia and New Zealand.

American officials, scanning the Pacific for additional landing lagoons and runways, have an anxious eye on several islands, now mere specks of uninhabited coral, which might go a long way toward confirming United States control of the trans-Pacific skylanes.

Most strategically located of all the thousands of Pacific Islands are the Phoenix, Ellice, Samoan and Gilbert groups. Strongest American claims are to the members of the Phoenix group which includes Christmas, Hull, Howland, Baker and Jarvis Islands. Of these Howland, Baker, Jarvis and Canton and Enderbury have already been placed under active colonisation.

Canton is one of the most strategically located islands for an air base on the route to the Antipodes. It consists of a rim of sand and coral surrounding a smooth lagoon nine miles long, ideal for seaplane landings.

Hull, in the same group, but further southwest, is even more ideal, having facilities for a land runway as well as a lagoon for seaplane landings. This island like the others, is claimed by the British.

On Christmas Island, to which Americans have the claim of discovery, there already is a small settlement of natives, a British administrator, and a Czechoslovak assistant. Officials believe that this island may be the centre of intensive title negotiations.

Further south and west are the Samoan Islands, ideal for both sea and land planes. Half of this group is owned by the United States. The other half, once owned by Germany, is under mandate to New Zealand.

There have been persistent reports, despite a recent official denial from Berlin, that Reichsführer Adolf Hitler has in mind a deal with Japan to demand the return of West Samoa for use as an air base in trans-Pacific flights.

The most suitable bases in a German-Japanese trans-Pacific air route would be the Japanese mandated Marshall and Caroline Islands to West Samoa, to Easter Island (owned by Chile) to South America. United Press.

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CLAIMANTS

This is a Romantic Story, showing that the "Rich Uncle in Australia" dream may yet come unexpectedly true, so far as a few people named "Walker" are concerned.

One hundred and sixteen years ago Thomas Walker emigrated from Leith to New South Wales—only 68 years after the arrival at Botany Bay of the first colonisers, marines and convicts.

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He succeeded and made a fortune in his new country, from shipping and trading.

He died in 1880 a millionaire and his fortune was left to his only daughter, Dame Edith Walker.

He instructed that on her death half the estate should go to various charities and the other half "to persons who will use of his blood and next of kin to him."

Dame Edith Walker died last October and since then inquiries have been in progress among Walkers in all parts of the world to see if they are entitled to share in the estate.

Now only two months are left for claims to be proved, says the Daily Herald.

Claimants are to attend personally or by solicitor, "The Master in Equity, Supreme Court, Sydney," on June 9 "at 11 o'clock in the forenoon being the time appointed for adjudicating upon the claims."

In London some half dozen direct relatives of Walker are making numerous inquiries among old records to support their claim.

POLICE ROB FREUD

Vienna. It was disclosed recently that the police raided the Vienna home of Dr. Sigmund Freud, the 82-year-old pioneer of psycho-analysis, and confiscated his passport and that of his wife.

They also confiscated all the ready money in the apartment and searched Dr. Freud's printing plant.

Dr. Freud is ill in bed following an operation on his palate. United Press.

WANTED WIFE TO
'SHARE' HIM

Mrs. Gilbert Hugh Bell testified at Atlantic City, New Jersey, that her husband, after twenty-four days of married life, suggested that she allow him to share his affections with a previous wife. When she refused he kicked her out of the house.

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RADIO BROADCAST

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11.0 London Relay—"Muniger, Ernest Longstaffe; Al and Bob Harvey (Our Two Canadian Pals); Murray and Hobbs (Two of a Kind); Charles Penrose; as P. C. Evergreen, the Laughing Policeman; Renee Houston and Donald Stewart (The famous Radio, Stage, and Screen Stars);

Down our Street" (A Scrap of London Life), written and played by George Buck with Norah Blakemore, Fred Douglas and Company. The B.R.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Ernest Longstaffe, Chairman, Vernon Watson.

11.0 Close Down.

Vow To Kill
Novelist
Sinclair Lewis

Nice. A plot to assassinate Sinclair Lewis, famous novelist and playwright, was disclosed here to-day.

A young man who declares he is the son of a famous American family is on his way back to the United States with the avowed intention of killing Lewis "because he is a Communist."

This is the story which is exciting the Anglo-American colony here. Two days ago the young man, who had been staying at the French Riviera for some weeks, walked into a famous American rendezvous. After a few minutes he became friendly with the proprietor and then became more confidential.

"I am going back to the United States to-morrow, and I am going to kill Sinclair Lewis," he said.

"Our party has decided definitely that he must die before next August. Very few people were aware of it, but we were mainly responsible for the assassination of Senator Huey Long."

"HE SHALL DIE"

Huay Long, self-styled "Kingfish" and dictator of Louisiana, was shot by Dr. Carl Weis, a political opponent, in September, 1935. He died from his wounds.

"We are determined that Lewis shall die, as we believe he is a Communist. I have been chosen to kill him," the young man added.

He did not appear to be abnormal, but expressed himself in a cold, ruthless manner.

Mr. Sinclair Lewis, who is at present travelling on a lecture tour throughout the United States, is author of many outspoken books. His best-known works are "Babbitt," "Ann Vickers," and "It Can't Happen Here."

MONGOLIA HAS NEW FLAG

Sulyuan, Inner Mongolia. The world is to have still another flag—the emblem of the Autonomous Mongolian Government. The new national flag will be deep blue, with red, yellow and white vertical stripes in the upper-left corner.

IT WAS FOG THAT BEAT
THE 5TH ARMY

SECRET REVEALED AFTER 20 YEARS

Fog was the factor which broke the 5th Army line in March 1918—just over twenty years ago.

This statement was made recently by Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Parliamentary Secretary for War.

Speaking at the annual reunion dinner of the 5th Army Old Comrades' Association at Thames House, London, he said that for many years he had felt very deeply the fact that it was the fashion of the country to honour all the army commanders except the one who was responsible for the 5th Army in March 1918.

NEVER MADE KNOWN

"Something which I have felt even more deeply," he continued, "is that history has neglected to record that the factor which really caused the line to break in March 1918 was the fog. The fog made it impossible to see."

"Though the line was broken it was re-formed day after day, and was finally consolidated firmly."

"Because that fact about the fog has never been made known General Maxey,"

General Sir Ivor Maxey, of the 18th Corps, said, "We claim to be as good as the other British armies in Europe, and we are being treated as the scapegoat of any politicians either now or in 1918."

SLIPS SAY IT FOR JUDGE

CLEVELAND—When Municipal Judge Henry J. Williams, of suburban Lakewood, sits on his bench he has stuck at his elbow a printed slip which explains that the state law makes it mandatory to suspend the licence of a motorist who has driven his automobile while intoxicated.

Gough and his men have never received recognition from the country as a whole for the part they played in those terrible four days."

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CINEMA PROGRESS

The history of the cinema is the history of a struggle on the part of its progressive and enlightened administrators for an improved expression and social and educational value in film entertainment. At least, that is what the intelligentsia of the art-industry has often proclaimed, and which Mr. Will H. Hays, President of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, endeavours to demonstrate in his annual report of 1938. Confronting this impulse has been the demand of pure commercialism. Commercialism, say critics such as C. A. Lejeune, Paul Rotha, Meyer Levin, George G. Nathan, and the former well known commentator, Cedric Belfrage, has been the successful enemy of the more artistic and educational elements of the cinema.

He had taken a drastic step at a time when more of the lime-light played on him than is enjoyed by one politician in a hundred, when his career must have seemed enviable to every young man in the land. His rise has been swift and almost sensational since that day in 1923 when he entered the House as Conservative M.P. for Warwick and Leamington.

At Geneva

HIS first chance came when Sir Austen Chamberlain, then Foreign Secretary, appointed him his parliamentary private secretary in 1926. There began an association with the Foreign Office which, in the opinion of many, went on too long for Mr. Eden's good, in the sense that it became too specialised.

In 1931 young Mr. Eden became Under-Secretary for For-

ally speaking their efforts may claim to have helped the film industry through a very trying period of adolescence, and to have given to it a new appreciation of its potentialities as a medium for artistic, educational and social expression.

Particularly striking has been the advance made by the news-reel. Though often tinged with propaganda it is, nevertheless, the most effective means of bringing before the public in a vivid manner the news and events of the world. It has stimulated a greater demand for "shorts" of a real educational value such as the "Nature's Wonders" series, "Educated Fish", the "Romance of Radium", the "Popular Science Series", the "Happy Hour Series" and other such films.

Consistently prodded by Mr. Hays and his organisation (as well as by an increasing public demand) producers have shown a willingness to feature subject-matter of definite social value. What is doubly important, in almost every case these pictures have become "box office hits". The increasing artistry of the cinema is revealed by Walter Disney and his cartoons and Silly Symphonies, now given its highest expression through "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs".

Mr. Will Hays claims in his latest report that the cinema is realising its finest qualities and potentialities, and it is no empty claim. The industry has a long way to go before it attains its full status as an artistic and educational medium, but in the meantime one can find satisfaction in the knowledge that it is progressing along the right lines.—S.A.C.

ANTHONY EDEN:

Two Studies of a Young Politician

By Percy Cater

TALL, exquisitely tailored, probably the handsomest man in the House of Commons, but weary with the strain of the last few weeks, Anthony Eden rose in the House at the end of question-time recently to make "a personal statement."

For over two years it had been customary when one had written "Mr. Anthony Eden" to add "Foreign Secretary." When Mr. Eden spoke on this occasion it was to explain why he was Foreign Secretary no longer, and why he resigned.

He did not have before him the despatch-box on which, like many a Minister before him, he had stressed with a drumming flat the ardour of his convictions.

It was from that particular seat below the gangway on the Government side of the House, reserved by custom for these bad occasions, that he said his say.

Even though the House rang with a momentous and exciting debate on foreign affairs and the Cabinet crisis, young Mr. Eden—he is 40—was the dramatic figure of the hour.

He had taken a drastic step at a time when more of the lime-light played on him than is enjoyed by one politician in a hundred, when his career must have seemed enviable to every young man in the land.

His rise has been swift and almost sensational since that day in 1923 when he entered the House as Conservative M.P. for Warwick and Leamington.

Anthony Eden is always working. He learnt German out of a grammar book while shaving, and one of the chief reasons for his success in life has been that when he was a Parliamentary Private Secretary he learnt all about his immediate boss's job.

The average P.P.S. is inclined to take it easy, regarding the job as more or less honorary. Even as a boy of eight Mr. Eden was sufficiently interested in politics to cover a big map of Great Britain with little blue flags showing the Conservative constituencies.

Mr. Eden has a curious habit of running his fingers through his black hair, rumpling it slightly, and of wriggling his foot when he sits down on a sofa.

He also has an odd habit of counting the fingers of his left hand with his right hand—as in "Three Little Pigs Went to Market."

He has a very good-looking wife and two sons, Simon and Nicholas. When I last saw him to speak to, Mr. Eden was very anxious that Simon should have a straight bat.

Mr. Eden himself is a great room-pacer, and keen on gangster films. I sometimes see him at our "local" cinema, the Regal, sitting in the front row of the dress circle. He also is a fan of Annabella, the French actress.

He might have got his boots at Eton, but joined up at the age of 17 with the King's Royal Rifle Corps, and became Brigade Major at the absurd age of 21.

He went to Oxford, but passed quite unnoticed there except by his tutors, Professor Mairgall and Professor Dewhurst. Thanks to them and real application, he got a First in Oriental languages.

Turning Point

HE and I were exact contemporaries, but I never knew he was "up" until he had "gone down." He never joined the Union, never joined a club, played tennis only, but acquired a great admiration for Cezanne.

In fact, he read a paper about the French painter to some undergraduates society or other. Not long ago he lent it to me, and it throws an interesting light on Mr. Eden himself.

"To live entirely for his art; to renounce all else—that was

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lighty



"I really can't remember whether I'm 27 or 28—just to be on the safe side, I'll put down 21."

Stop these out-of-date prison sentences, declared a Chairman of Homeside Quarter Sessions

A Month in Gaol

If You Don't
Pay a £5 Fine

But enforce the Money Payments Act, and "humanise" the prisons as much as you like, there would still remain the fundamental question of how to remove the causes which conspire to incarcerate men and women in prison, with all its consequential pains and penalties, when other forms of punishment should be adequate.

One of the causes, in my view, is the narrow restrictions placed upon the justices who every year, in their 1,000 courts, deal with three-quarters of a million offenders.

They may place a defendant on probation, but if they think the case warrants some penalty, they are confined to the alternatives—fine or gaol.

In this country until 100 years ago there were 220 offences punishable with death; but, save for one or two crimes, that has been abolished, and so have the treadmill and the picking of oakum.

But in all successive reforms no new method of punishment, apart from fining and gaoling, has been devised.

Prison at Week-ends

MR. DUMMETT, the Metropolitan magistrate, holds the view in regard to motoring offences, that "the only way in which I can see that it [the 'gloating' slaughter and maiming of people]" can be stopped is by passing a law to permit magistrates to confiscate cars."

He would revive the old law of *decades*, or *forfeits*, which persisted from the days of Moses, and which ceased in this country in 1840.

Lord Newton introduced a Bill for the purpose lately, but the Lord killed it.

In America an offender sentenced, say, to 28 days, is allowed to do the "time" at week-ends, and so avoid loss of wages. There are those who favour the introduction of that system in this country.

Others have suggested concentration camps, State farms, or similar places, to which, without the cramping of prison walls, offenders may be sent for short periods.

Prison authorities deplore short sentences. They say, in effect: "If you send offenders to prison, send them for such a length of time, that we can do them some good."

New Punishment

A HOME OFFICE memorandum records the fact that some of those who have gone to prison would not have suffered the fate "if the liability had been better adjusted to their resources."

the example that Cezanne gave us—a hatred of worldly things whether practical or scheming; a hatred of prejudice, a hatred of honour and flattery; a hatred of commerce and hypocrisy—Cezanne embodies all that," said Mr. Eden.

The turning-point in his career was one summer's day in 1931. He was dabbling with a water colour on the Yorkshire moors.

He received a letter from Mr. Baldwin telling him to come hot-foot to London. He did so, and found the post of Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs awaiting him.

In any case, magistrates should, I think, be allowed to exercise a wider discretion.

PERFECTED YELLOW FEVER VACCINE IS PROVED 99 PER CENT. EFFECTIVE

BRILLIANT RESEARCH BY ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

By THEON WRIGHT
United Press Staff Correspondent

A 36-YEAR-OLD BATTLE WHICH PHYSICIANS HAVE FOUGHT AGAINST ONE OF MANKIND'S MOST DREADED MALADIES—JUNGLE YELLOW FEVER—IS NOW CLOSE TO A VICTORIOUS END.

The Rockefeller Foundation has announced that after six years of tests with vaccination, in which more than 40,000 persons were treated within the past year alone, immunities had been produced ranging up to 99 per cent.

The foundation's announcement said that the series of tests now put up against jungle yellow fever is in sight.

The development of the vaccine is regarded as the most important single step in the battle to control yellow fever since Dr. Hideo Noguchi isolated the yellow fever parasite, "leptospira icteroides," 20 years ago.

If further development of the technique of vaccination is successful medical science will have accomplished one of its great victories of the century.

The foundation, which began its research in immunization in yellow fever in 1931, made its first successful vaccinations on members of its own staff several years ago, using a modified yellow fever virus, with additional doses of an immunity serum.

The treatment was regarded as too complicated for large populations, and early last year the virus developed laboratory research by tissue culture methods was taken to South America for mass researches.

"Although preliminary work on monkeys and small group of persons in New York had indicated that this virus was perfectly safe for vaccination, great caution was exercised to avoid untoward accidents," the report said.

"Only after approximately 100 persons had been vaccinated and carefully observed was the vaccine taken into the field."

The vaccine was used on 38,000 persons in Brazil and 2,000 persons in Colombia during 1937, the report said. The after-effects were described as "mild in comparison with the after-effects of immunization against other disease organisms, such as typhoid, diphtheria, etc."

Other results were measured in tests with 700 persons in New York who had been inoculated with living virus, and the report said "more than 99 per cent. showed full or partial immunity."

"Further studies are needed for the final evaluation of the present method," the report continued. "It is, however, safe to say that a definite step forward has been made and that efficient protection of populations exposed to jungle yellow fever is in sight."

The importance of the new development is intensified by the discovery about a year ago that the existence of "aegypti" mosquitoes, long believed the only carrier for yellow fever, is not necessary for the epidemic to spread.

For more than a quarter of a century, since anti-mosquito campaigns were started after an epidemic in Rio de Janeiro in 1898—one of the most devastating in all history—the destruction of mosquitoes has been almost the sole means of combating the spread of the disease.

U.S.S. CYCLOPS, VANISHED SHIP, LOST 20 YEARS

Washington. The greatest mystery in the history of American shipping, the disappearance of the 3,000-ton navy fuel vessel Cyclops with 300 men aboard, remains as far from a solution to-day as it did 20 years ago.

The Cyclops left Barbados on March 4, 1918, with a load of coal for Baltimore. It never was heard from again.

It is known that no enemy submarines were operating in the Western Atlantic at that time and internal Europe proved to the navy's satisfaction that the ship had not fallen prey to a German U-boat or mine.

The ship was commanded by Lieut.-Commander George W. Worley. It carried 21 officers. One of the passengers was the U.S. Consul to Rio de Janeiro.

The Cyclops was launched May 7, 1910, at Philadelphia and was assigned to the naval overseas transportation service Jan. 9, 1918, while at Hampton Roads, Va., loading a cargo of coal of Bahia, Brazil. The Cyclops arrived at Bahia Jan. 22 and after discharging cargo proceeded to Rio, arriving there Jan. 28.

At Rio the collier loaded a cargo of manganese ore and sailed Feb. 10 for Barbados, arriving there March 3.

WARTIME BREAD

Will Be Dark And Taste "Nutty"

A new "dark bread" is now being made in the laboratories of the Food Defence Plan Department of the Board of Trade.

It may be made compulsory for the whole of Britain in the event of a wheat shortage due to national emergency.

It will be rather dark of hue, not so "smooth" in texture as the white bread now in use, and will have a not unpleasant "nutty" flavour.

PREPARING SCHEME

Scientists working on the recipe for the dark bread are preparing a scheme which could be put into operation by the big milling concerns overnight.

Mills would be adjusted so as to use up more of the bran in the manufacture of flour. Maize, pean and beans, and rye would be used to dilute the flour in the event of acute shortage.

PRESIDENT QUEZON IN HONGKONG



Clever study by Salvador D'Asis of President Manuel Quezon of the Philippines during his visit this week to Hongkong.

Britain's Researchers Find: Clock That Beats Time, Ships Wrongly Shaped

WOULD you like a quick tour around Britain's Know-all-about-everything Department—or, at least, very nearly-all?

Then inspect some of the wonders mentioned in the annual report of the National Physical Laboratory at Teddington, published recently.

These include a clock which in a year loses only a fraction of a second; and herring drifters improved so as to give 40 per cent. deduction in fuel consumption.

The Wonder Clock is being have revealed that it is possible constructed for use at the Royal by the movements of blankets, etc., to produce sparks capable of igniting anaesthetic vapours. Earthing chains now dangle from operating tables.

HIGH SPEED PLANES.—"In more than one instance," states the report, "peculiarities of behaviour have been discovered which might have led to delay in production and these have been corrected. It is not always possible to avoid minor modifications after the first flight tests, but the work of the Laboratory has undoubtedly ensured that no major modifications should be necessary."

SHIPS.—In the William Froude Laboratory, 68 ships were tested in the ship tanks and 47 per cent. were improved in efficiency by more than 3 per cent., nine by more than 10 per cent., and four by more than 20 per cent.—representing the reduction in fuel consumption throughout the life of the ships.

DANGER SPARKS Other things which have been occupying the wonder researchers at Teddington are:

HOSPITALS.—Investigations into risk of explosions in operating theatres, due to accidental formation of electric sparks.

INVENTIVE AUSSIES

They Have Given The Empire A Few Things

But for two Australian inventions, the "stripper" which strips or harvests the heads of grain, and the "stump-jump" plough, half the land under cultivation throughout the Empire and probably throughout the world would have remained uncultivated.

These facts have just been brought to light by the president of the Australian Institute of Engineers who enumerated the following other inventions by Australians:

the zip fastener
the totalisor
the sheep shearing machine
the first ice-factory (built at Geelong in 1850)

the mono-rail car
the first seaplane (a 5 lb. model which flew 445 feet at 10 m.p.h.)
The Mitchell thrust bearing (a Melbourne invention that saved the British admiralty £600,000 in 4 years.)

The Australian Institute has arranged an engineering conference this month which famous engineers from all over the world are attending. *Austral News.*

Salmon Are Classified As Marathon Swimmers

Nanaimo, B.C.

Statistics recorded by the Pacific Biological Station here revealed that salmon on the Pacific Coast may not be speed kings, but when it comes to marathons, they can generally outdistance almost any other fish.

Ramblings of the five species of Pacific Coast salmon—Spring, Sockeye, Chum, Coho, and Pink—were observed by clamping dated aluminum trap tags on their tail fins.

The Spring-salmon was found to average between 10 to 35 miles each day.

RADIO BROADCAST

Helen Lockhart (Contralto)
In Hebridean Songs
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12.30-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Musical Comedy Selections. Lilac Time—Vocal Gems (Ross and Schubert, arr. Clutton), Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra; Music in May (Charles Rupture)—Ivor Novello-Hassel); Dorothy Dickson acc. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentiss, Mus., Bac; Love Made The Song (Charles Rupture)—Ivor Novello-Hassel); ... Sybil Crawley and Ernest Starling acc. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentiss, Mus., Bac; "Crazy Days"—Selection (Eyton, Carter and Mayell); The Shufescbury Theatre Orch. London, cond. by Billy Mayerl (Violinist); M. Browne and F. Conyngham, A Country Girl—Selection (Lionel Monckton); London Theatre Orchestra.

1.0 Time and Weather.
1.03 Patrick Rossborough at the Piano.

A Cavalcade of Martin Tunes; Sweetheart Joe, The Candy Man (Austen Croom-Johnson); Poor Little Rich Girl—Selection; Hot Dog.

1.15 Hawaiian Music.
My South Sea Sweetheart; Blue Sparks, Masters' Hawaiian (Steel Guitar and Banjo); Beautiful Woman (Khalie); William Ewakko with Royal Hawaiian Glee Club; Rose Dreams (Shannon and Stansy); George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet with vocal chorus.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Marcel Maule (Saxophone). Humoreske (Dvorak—Kreisler); Sudiko-Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsukov); Le Cygne (Saint-Saens); Variations Sur Malborough (Arr. F. Combelles).

1.53 Light Orchestra.
From The Old And The New World (Dvorak, arr. B. Leopold); Dol Dauber And His Salon Orch; Die Fledermaus (Johann Strauss); Danse Espagnole (Granados); Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra; Fire Festival—Polka (Josef Strauss—Op. 269); The Singer's Joy—Polka; Francalce (Johann Strauss—Op. 328); Johann Strauss and Symphony Orch.

2.15 Close Down.
0.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.
7.0 Latest Dance Music.

Tap-Dance—Slow Tempo—Sleepy Time Gal; Tap-Dance—Fast Tempo—Morie... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—Little Heaven Of The Seven Seas; Quickstep—Smarty (From Double or Nothing)... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trots—The Snake Charmer; Let Er Go... Nat Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; Ostrich Walk; Riverboat Shuffle... Frankie Trumbauer and His Orchestra; Waltz—Little Anne; Intermezzo—Who Cares?... Jungherr's Accordion Melodians.

7.33 Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.35 Murgatroyd & Winterbottom, Frances Day (Soprano) and Les Allen.

The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot; Afraid To Dream (From You Can't Have Everything); Les Allen with piano accomp.; What Is This Thing? (From Temptation); Show Me The Way To Romance (From Temptation); Frances Day, Scientifically, Of Course; If You Pretend You're Blue... Murgatroyd and Winterbottom (two minds with not a single thought) with piano accomp. by Monte Cricket; Moon At Sea; Goodnight To You All... Les Allen with Novelty accomp. on two pianos.

8.15 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—A Recital of Hebridean Songs by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) Accompanied by A. T. Lay.

1. Kishmish's Galley; 2. In Hebridean Seas; 3. Piano Solo—Connoch (Edgar Barrett); ... A. T. Lay; 4. An Island Shellfish Song; 5. A Hebridean Sea-Reveries Song; 6. An Erisian Love Lilt. (Songs arranged by Marjorie Kennedy-Frasier).

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8.30 Dvorak—Concerto In B Minor, Op. 104.

Played by Paul Casals (Cello) and the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Georg Szell.

8.32 Songs by Theodore Chalapino (Bass).

Arise, Red Sun—Russian Folk Song; Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Nekrasoff—Novostroy-Manklin).

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Military Band Selections.

Hungarian Fantasy (A. Flagedy).

Band Of The Royal Hungarian "Maria Theresa" Regiment conducted by Alexander Flagedy; Hlavnata March (Morel).

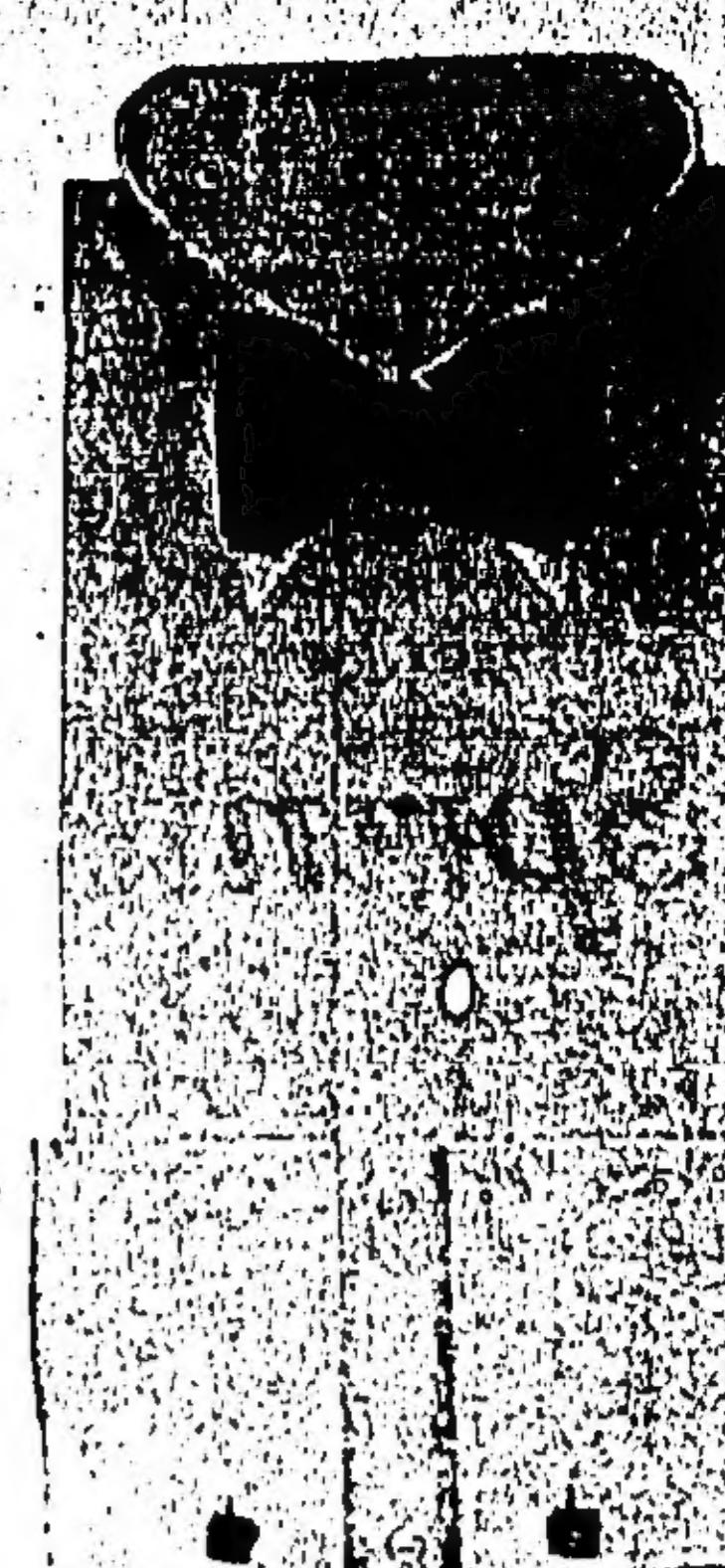
The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards conducted by Lieut. J. C. Windram.

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TSUI WAI-PIU WINS TENNIS TITLE FOR THIRD TIME

Sprinting Events For To-morrow's Races

SILKYLIGHT HAS GONE UP TO SHANGHAI FOR ITS SUMMER REST

Lady Northcote's Gladiator Has Splendid Chance To Win

(By "Captain Foster")

The Hongkong Jockey Club is holding its Fourth Extra Race Meeting to-morrow at Happy Valley when the first saddling bell will be rung at the usual time, 1.30 p.m.

After two days of hard racing at the Easter Carnival, all the nine handicap contests to-morrow are sprinting events, the longest run being over a mile and there are three races from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

Messrs. H. P. Chanson and V. V. Needa will not be seen in action, for they have gone up north to ride at the Spring Meeting under the auspices of the Shanghai Race Club.

It is learned that the "wonder pony," Silkylight, has returned to Shanghai to spend his summer there and will be back here in time for the Griffins St. Leger which will be run in early November.

A KEEN TUSSLE EXPECTED

Gladiator May Win Mount Cough H'cap

The ban on winners of \$1,750 or more in stakes since January 1, this year, has precluded several good first class China ponies from the opening event, the Mount Gough Handicap over six furlongs. There are only half a dozen entries. I am looking forward to seeing a keen tussle between Lady Northcote's Gladiator ("Mr. Proulx"), Mrs. Stanton's Oak Bay (Mr. Raymond) and Mr. Dunbar's Wild Life (Mr. Black). It is learned that His Excellency the Governor will be in time for this race and it is to be hoped that His Excellency will have the pleasure of leading in her Ladyship's Gladiator ahead of the procession. Gladiator has been placed in all his five outings of this year, the best run, to my estimation, being behind Desert Chief and King's Warden in the Mrs. Bay Handicap when Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate romped home first in record time of 2.05 over a furlong from the two mile post, once round and in. When they met in the "All Out" Stakes over six furlongs, Oak Bay just managed in the nick of time to shoo his nose ahead of Gladiator over the touch line and he was awarded the verdict of a short head. But it must be remembered that the jockey (Mr. Fung) on Gladiator did not carry a whip, for a stroke of the cane would have reversed the decision. At any rate Lady Northcote's nomination has a pound of lead less to carry and I fancy Gladiator will make amends.

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

22 Entries For An Open Race

The "Hunchbacks" Handicap for non-winning subscription geldings of this club of this season to be ridden by novices will no doubt give us another thrill; for the contest is also from the 1½ mile post and incidentally it is the first leg of the daily double. We have a long list of 22 entries for the first selection and anything may happen here. By virtue of his win at Macao, Tribune has incurred a penalty of seven pounds and he has to weigh out 147 lbs. One thing I like about Tribune is that he is a good starter, but believe it or not, he has not much of a finish in a tight corner. I noticed this last Sunday at Macao, Tribune did not convey the impression I said I did in my last note, that he was a clinker. However, it is extremely difficult to venture an opinion which pony has a sporting chance to cross the wire first, but judging by the handicap ranking list, there are only two ponies, namely, Charbyde and Fel Ying, the former being allotted 161 lbs and the latter has 168 lbs. The balance of 20 are from the 150 mark and under ten ponies carrying 140 lbs. Charbyde has been knocking at the door since February last and it is about time that he should present his card to the two judges. Fel Ying is an honest guy to have your money on while National Dignity is not a bad bet to follow up after his good record in the Pockham Handicap.

GOLDEN COW HAS GOOD PROSPECTS

Especially If Going Is On Soft Side

The Talmoshan Handicap for "D" class China ponies over a mile has been divided into two divisions by the official handicapper, and he has assigned 11 best racers to the first section. Golden Cow, who annexed the Tai Wan Bay Handicap (second section) at the Easter session is on level terms with Desert Sun and should the going be on the soft side, he should be well up at the finish. Salvage Master, after her good win on Easter Monday, has a pull of 10 lbs. against these two mugs and we are bound to see a good scuffle for the first position in the frame. Cu-ban Love and Dekko are also in this section carrying the lowest impost, but I am afraid that the trif of a mile is not to Dekko's liking. It has been represented to me that Mr. Encarnacion has been booked to ride Piet Hein, but with due respect to the Shanghai crack jockey, I am of the candid opinion that it was not a wise step to take owing to the fact that he cannot tip the scale at 145 lbs.

WILL ROSE-QUEEN BREAK SEQUENCE OF FAILURES?

We are going to view a fine scramble in the Mount Davis Handicap (first section) for "C" class China raters from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards) and the allocation of 12 speedy merchants to this section is setting a puzzle. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose-Queen does not require a write-up, but the inclusion of this mare (formerly in "B" class) here with an allotment of 168 lbs. and to be ridden by Mr. Encarnacion will undoubtedly enliven the pari-mutuel department. It is strange to say that she has a sequence of eight unplaced outings this season and I wonder whether her series will be broken to-morrow. As I have said, we have several roundsters such as Amberley, Just In Time, King's Bounty, Lancashire Lass and Royal Consort, all of them well in part from this strong contingent of springers. Rose-Queen has no love for the barrier and this is a question which punters must not overlook. Tyne has a burden of 163 lbs. and should he manage to break the tape first, your five dollar bill is quite safe on this bay gelding. Amberley, King's Bounty and Laughing Girl are my fancy.

MR. LI LAN-SANG HAS FOUR HORSES IN SAME EVENT

Mr. Li Lan-sang has four nominations, Harvest View, Havoc Eve, Honeycomb Eve and Humdrum Eve, in the penultimate event, the High West Handicap for "B" class among the China ponies over a mile. The last named makes his first appearance in the "B" company, the promotion being due to his wonderful performance in the Deep Bay Handicap for "C" class at the Easter Meeting when he captured the event in good time of 1.26.3/5 for six furlongs and the charger was carrying a load of 163 lbs. It is considered by competent judges that Humdrum Eve's best distance is from six furlongs and under, but I am inclined to take another view and I say that it must be a good first class racer to beat him to-morrow. I have not been able to ascertain whether all the four candidates will accept, but as we are now nearing the end of the first half of the racing season, it will not surprise me to see all coming under the starter's orders for over two months and in the circumstance it is hard to get her line. She had a successful outing in the Sydney Stakes (second section) when she finished ahead of Macquarie River and Little Audrey, but the mare has now conceded seven pounds to the last named damsel. Little Audrey and Lucky Lad have been handicapped, more or less, on their running in the Calliope Handicap over six furlongs, finishing second and third respectively, but Lucky Lad, I believe, did not have a clear passage. Then we have to consider also Annabella, who was badly lost in the same race, and Katinka, who gave the best of her game. That's the improvement that has been made here.

LAST EVENT

The meeting will terminate with a fast run from the 1½ mile post in the Mount Davis Handicap (second section) and the order of the finish should be Jungle Jim, Laughing Buddha and Night View.

Brutus May Turn Tables Again

Canterbury Park Handicap "G"

The Canterbury Park Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over six furlongs should draw a big field, there being 18 entries. When they fought the issue out in the St. Kilda Handicap from the 1½ mile post, Brutus (winner) and Twilight Star (second) were on the same level, but in the subsequent cutting, the Cabramatta Handicap over a mile, Twilight Star, who had a pull of a couple of pounds, turned the tables by two lengths. To-morrow Twilight Star has to give three pounds to Brutus and being a sprint over six furlongs, it indicates that the latter has the benefit of balancing the weight. The real danger, in my opinion, is Discovery Bay, who finished third in the St. Kilda Handicap. He was conceding 13 lbs. to Brutus and Twilight Star whereas to-morrow there is hardly any difference in the avoid-pounds between these three cobs. The adjustment favours Discovery Bay and this progeny by Fernkloof has four good legs over six furlongs. Racing Heart, I understand, is still on the walking list, but Perfect Day I am afraid, will be running out of his distance. Zodiac is looking well while Violet Queen can be trusted for big money. Among the youngsters of this season, Bredon is within her prowess and Macquarie River is also due for a win.

A GOOD RUN ASSURED

In the Talmoshan Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies which is the second leg of the daily double, the transfer of Flyby-night, Gold Sovereign, Mac's Adventure and Sylvandale from the first division to this section should give punters something to think about, for there is a big list of 21 entries. There is, however, one consolation, that the contest is over a mile and we should get a good run for our money. Gold Sovereign has been allotted topweight of 168 lbs. but he has incurred a penalty of seven pounds on account of his win in Macao last Sunday and Mr. Li Tsafong's candidate has to weigh out at 173 lbs. The only chance of winning is to put up a novice and even then I am afraid that it will be a hard proposition. Flyby-night has not been running too well this season while Sylvandale seems to have lost his sense of racing. These two old timers were public idols, but as they are now in a lower class, I see no reason why they should not regain a bit of the confidence which both of them had enjoyed at one time in the pari-mutuel. On the strength of their good show in the Bon Vista Handicap, the three placed ponies, namely, Good Morning, Racing Boy and Tempest, have been asked to give liberal allowances to the punters.

It is to be hoped that the inclusion of this mare (formerly in "B" class) here with an allotment of 168 lbs. and to be ridden by Mr. Encarnacion will undoubtedly enliven the pari-mutuel department. It is strange to say that she has a sequence of eight unplaced outings this season and I wonder whether her series will be broken to-morrow. As I have said, we have several roundsters such as Amberley, Just In Time, King's Bounty, Lancashire Lass and Royal Consort, all of them well in part from this strong contingent of springers. Rose-Queen has no love for the barrier and this is a question which punters must not overlook. Tyne has a burden of 163 lbs. and should he manage to break the tape first, your five dollar bill is quite safe on this bay gelding. Amberley, King's Bounty and Laughing Girl are my fancy.

MR. LI LAN-SANG HAS FOUR HORSES IN SAME EVENT

Mr. Li Lan-sang has four nominations, Harvest View, Havoc Eve, Honeycomb Eve and Humdrum Eve, in the penultimate event, the High West Handicap for "B" class among the China ponies over a mile. The last named makes his first appearance in the "B" company, the promotion being due to his wonderful performance in the Deep Bay Handicap for "C" class at the Easter Meeting when he captured the event in good time of 1.26.3/5 for six furlongs and the charger was carrying a load of 163 lbs. It is considered by competent judges that Humdrum Eve's best distance is from six furlongs and under, but I am inclined to take another view and I say that it must be a good first class racer to beat him to-morrow. I have not been able to ascertain whether all the four candidates will accept, but as we are now nearing the end of the first half of the racing season, it will not surprise me to see all coming under the starter's orders for over two months and in the circumstance it is hard to get her line. She had a successful outing in the Sydney Stakes (second section) when she finished ahead of Macquarie River and Little Audrey, but the mare has now conceded seven pounds to the last named damsel. Little Audrey and Lucky Lad have been handicapped, more or less, on their running in the Calliope Handicap over six furlongs, finishing second and third respectively, but Lucky Lad, I believe, did not have a clear passage. Then we have to consider also Annabella, who was badly lost in the same race, and Katinka, who gave the best of her game. That's the improvement that has been made here.

LAST EVENT

The meeting will terminate with a fast run from the 1½ mile post in the Mount Davis Handicap (second section) and the order of the finish should be Jungle Jim, Laughing Buddha and Night View.



THE NEW TENNIS CHAMPION.—Tsui Wai-pui, who defeated H.D. Rumjahn in the final of the Colony tennis singles championship yesterday, making a typical backhand ret urn. (Photo: Staff Photographer)

As I See Sport

RUMJAHN NOT AT HIS BEST IN TENNIS FINAL LOSES COLONY TITLE TO DAVIS CUPPER

BEATS RUMJAHN COMFORTABLY IN POOR GAME HOLDER CRACKS BADLY AFTER OPENING SET

(By "Abe")

Except in the first set when some really fine rallies were witnessed, the Colony Tennis singles final played on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday between H. D. Rumjahn, the holder, and Tsui Wai-pui was not up to expectations. After losing the opening stanza, the Chinese was head and shoulders above the holder and swept through the next three sets with the loss of only five games.

Tsui thus annexed the title for the third year, having previously been successful in 1934 and 1936. The scores in his favour yesterday were 3-0, 6-0, 6-3, 6-2.

It would be manifestly unfair to Tsui to suggest that he won so easily because Rumjahn was suffering from a sore elbow, but he told me himself that he also noticed that "there was something wrong with Rumjahn." It should be stated, too, that with the scent of victory so strong after the second set, he was playing a brand of tennis which would have beaten anyone in the Colony. At worst, he might have conceded a few more games; defeat was out of the question.

HOW GAMES WENT

Lending 2-0, 3-1, 4-3, Rumjahn won the next two games for the first set. In the second, Tsui completely outplayed his opponent and won it to love. The third went to the Chinese quite comfortably. The scores were level at 2-2, but Rumjahn was able to take only one game in this set. The fourth and last set was nearly a walk-over; 3-0, 4-2, and Tsui was beaten.

When Rumjahn hit the last shot of the match outside, he seemed almost glad it was over. He had been made to do a great deal of running, and could not have stood up to much more. He was definitely a beaten man.

OXFORD BOWLING FLOGGED

Australian Cricket Tourists Pile Up A Huge Score

London, May 5.—The Australian cricket tourists continued to flog the Oxford bowling to-day when their match with the undergraduates was resumed.

From 481 runs for five wickets scored on Wednesday, the tourists took their total to 678 for seven before declaring. Another century was added to the list by Hussey, who hit up 146.

Oxford were dismissed for 117 in their first innings, the only one to stand up to the Australian bowling being Eggar, who had 51 not out at the finish.

Faintwood-Smith took five wickets for 28 runs.

Following-on, the undergraduates had lost four wickets for only 29 runs when stumps were drawn.

WEAK SERVICE

But what puzzled many people was the surprising weakness of his service. His second delivery was an undignified attempt to put the ball in play and allowed Tsui to either punch it away for an outright winner or to exploit his drop-shot, which won him points almost at will.

I was not altogether surprised to learn from Rumjahn himself after the match that his elbow was trouble.

WALTER HAGEN PRAISES GOLF IN JAPAN

Tokyo, May 6.—Japan to-day was described by Walter Hagen, world-famous golf professional, as the "third Mecca" for the game in the world.

The only countries that play first-class golf are the United States and England. Japan is a close third, outranking European countries by a wide margin," Mr. Hagen told the Japan Advertiser, American-owned daily here.

"When I first came here eight years ago," he continued, "I couldn't lose a match if I wanted to. But to-day I can't win one even if I want to. That's the improvement that has been made here."

Mr. Hagen deplored that only those

who have been in Japan know of

her beautiful courses and her good

players."—Domen.

CHAMPION SWIMMED.—Alice, the first Mrs. H. D. Rumjahn, was employed as a lifeguard, and generally being unable to hold her own in the water. (Photo: Staff Photographer)



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Latest Call-over At Victoria Club

London, May 5. The latest Victoria Club call-over for the Derby is as follows:

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100/6 Glenloan (o)
100/6 Golden Sovereign (o)
20/1 Mirra (o), 25/1 (t)
20/1 Khan Bahadur (o), 25/1 (t)
20/1 Caveman (o)

—Reuter.

KENTUCKY DERBY FAVOURITE OUT

Louisville, May 5. Mr. Maxwell Howard's Singhard, favourite for Saturday's Kentucky Derby, has developed a cold and has been scratched from the race, leaving a field of ten.—Reuter.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Battle of Taichewang" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Chief interest in this film, which has been rushed to Hongkong for screening, lies in the "shots" of the country in which some of the severest fighting in the present Sino-Japanese hostilities has been taking place, and of the leaders of the Chinese armies. A few more English sub-titles would increase the value of the film considerably for foreign audiences; but for Chinese, the picture is well studied with subtitles and explanations.

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" (Queen's and Alhambra Theatres, to-day).—As refreshing as a cool breeze on a hot summer's day, and as welcome as a pay increase, the new and greatest Walt Disney production is here at last. A landmark of film making, it was an amazing feat to inject such dramatic realism and spontaneously into what, after all, are merely so many photographed drawings. This is truly motion picture art, not to mention its being one of the most captivating screen experiences we have had. It is as entertaining for adults as it undoubtedly is for the kiddies.

"It's Love I'm After" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—One of the slickest comedies seen for a long time, and one which can be classed with "Avon's Truth" and "Bringing Up Baby," which is saying a great deal. Leslie Howard, Bette Davis and Olivia de Havilland have the leading roles.

"David Copperfield" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Charles Dickens' classic made a film by M.G.M. A huge cast, capable direction; result, a splendid picture.

CORINTHIANS HELD TO A DRAW

San Francisco, May 4. Playing against the Northern California All-Stars to-day, the Islington Corinthians were held to a two-all draw.

Following the game, the Corinthians entrained for Vancouver, B.C., where they will play another match on Thursday.—United Press.

ESCOBAR BEATEN

New York, May 4. Making his first appearance as a featherweight, Sixto Escobar, 122 lbs., was beaten on points by Nat Littin, 122 lbs., in ten-round contest to-day. It is believed that Escobar will resign from the featherweight ranks. Littin was staggered by Escobar in the eighth round.—United Press.

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Special musical instruments were built up within the Disney studios for the background music in some sequences of the first animated feature, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," now showing at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Voices and a full orchestra rise into a crescendo in the final scenes showing the Prince and Snow White riding away to happiness.

BOWLS PLAYERS SELECTED

The following players have been selected to represent the various Clubs in to-morrow's League Bowls matches:

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HOME CRICKET

London, May 5. Lunch cricket scores were: Cambridge University 25 for no wicket; Yorkshire 540; Hampshire 270; Gloucestershire 182 for five wickets; Lancashire 169 for five wickets; Worcestershire 342; M.C.C. 198 and 205 for six wickets, Surrey 647; Australians 679 for seven wickets declared against Oxford University; Somersetshire 240, Sussex 263 for eight wickets.—Reuter's Bulletin.

M.C.C. PRESIDENT

London, May 5. Lord Baldwin was elected President of the M.C.C. last night.—Reuter's Bulletin.

SPORT ADVTS.

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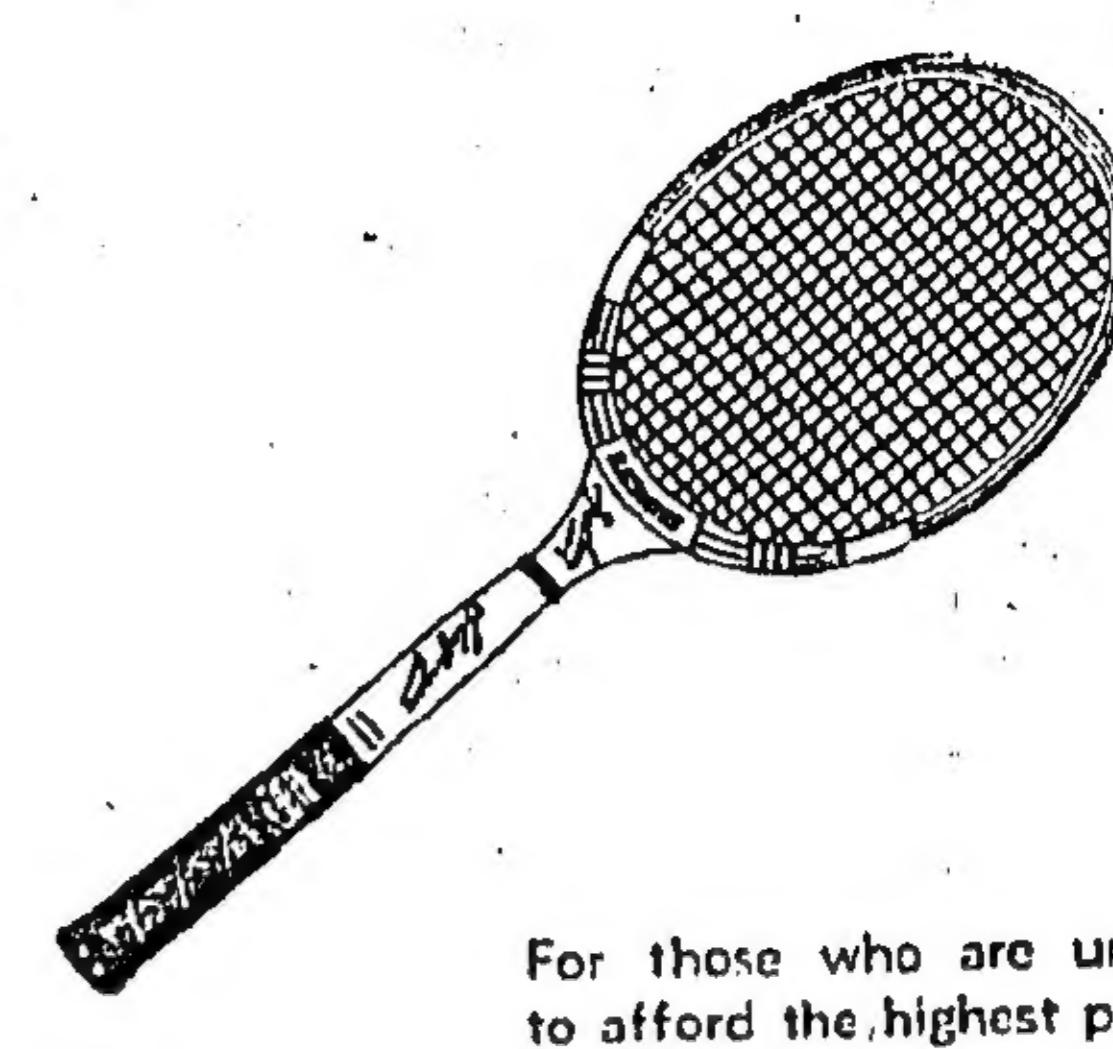
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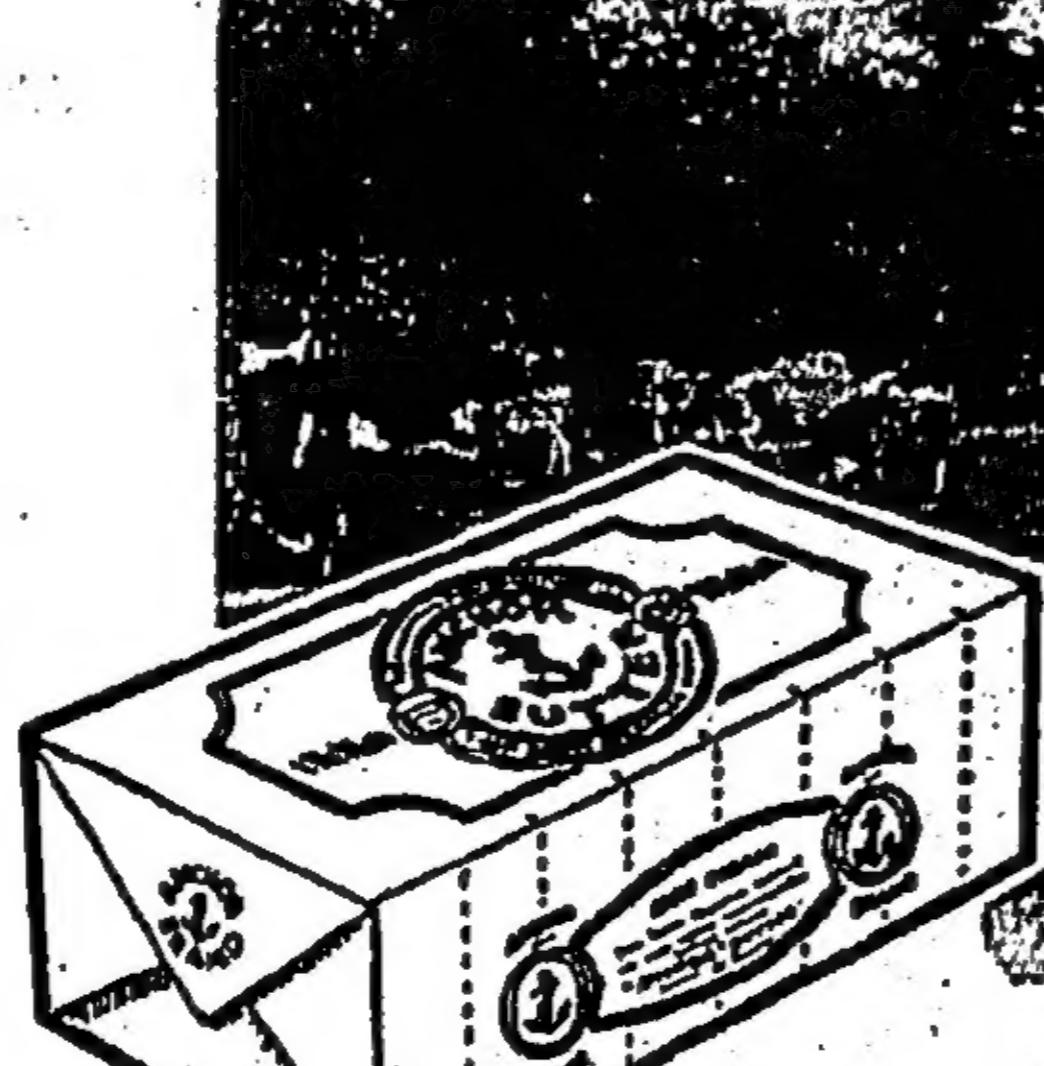
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HAPPENINGS
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HONGKONG SCHOOLTEACHERS. Here are the teachers at the Heep Yunn School, who, with the headmistress, Mrs. Cheung, who is in the centre, sat recently for this picture.—*Ming Yuen*.



CONVIVIAL GUESTS at the annual dinner of the Royal Artillery Association, held in the Hotel Cecil last week. The function was featured by the very large attendance.—*Ming Cheung*.



POPULAR SPORTSMAN, and manager of the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Mr. Frank Goodwin was recently farewelled by members of his staff prior to leaving for Home furlough. Here is Mr. Goodwin, seated centre (dark coat) with members of the Gas Company staff.—*Ming Yuen*.



TWO CHARMING participants in the country dances at the German Sports Club, King's Park, last Sunday, on the occasion of the celebration by the local German community of Germany's National Day.—*Staff Photographer*.



MARRIED. Wedded last week at St. Andrew's Church were Mr. P. Morrison and Miss M. A. Rattey, and here are the bride and groom photographed after the ceremony.—*Ming Yuen*.

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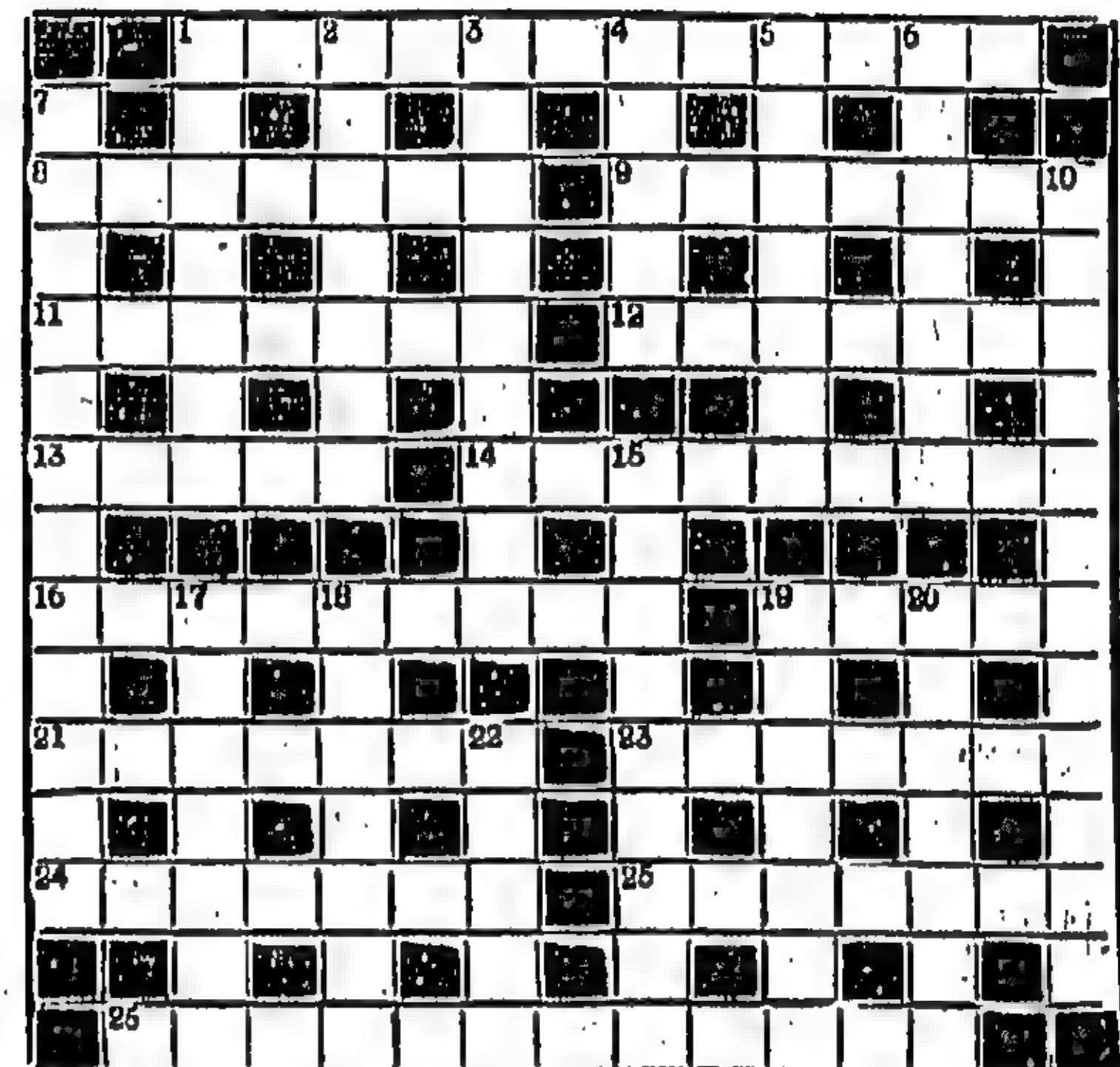
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- Damaging a trade combine (7).
- The kind of grievance that is liable to create a bad atmosphere (7).
- She appears in bands (7).
- Basis of influence of curtained buildings (7).
- Part of a plane (5).
- Motorists are told that this is inspired by the consumption of its beginning (9).
- Capable of improvement, obviously (9).
- It produces coffee (5).
- If the drink is this merely the heart will be enough (7).
- Search for an old drink at last (7).
- I'm one so altered here (7).
- Whereas a nod may be more expensive than a wink (7).
- In firm fashion but put mine off at first (12).
- The very horse for the plate? (7).
- Very fit men are in such garb (7).
- The cause of a tardy kick should lead one to make rules (9).
- One would no doubt rather have it removed by a bowler than by a dentist (6).
- What the baby bird did is most orderly (7).

On the court the master playing can command it, of course (7).

7 "It's a tin I cast" (anag.) (12).

10 A sport that always ends in words (12).

15 Advice to a host (9).

17 Amusement of a former age? (7).

18 Wander after, material for conjecture? (7).

19 At Wimbledon one sees this by 6 down (7).

20 Orders lacking in this may lead to disorder (7).

22 Seldom a practical idea (6).

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Reinhardt's Old Schloss Confiscated

Vienna, May 5.
It is officially announced that the State has confiscated Castle Leopoldskron, near Salzburg, home of Max Reinhardt, to whom the Castle was presented by the Austrian Government.

The announcement was made in the Court at Salzburg during a suit for damages against Reinhardt by the owner of the Castle restaurant, who alleged that Reinhardt had given part of the restaurant to Dr. Schuschnigg's Fighting Front.—Reuter.

Max Reinhardt, famous theatrical producer, was born at Baden, near Vienna, in 1873, of Jewish parents. When the Nazis came into power in Germany he was one of the many men of genius to suffer because they were of Jewish origin. His theatrical activities were banned throughout Germany.

On the assumption that the Nazis would also eventually prevail in Austria, Reinhardt put up his famous Schloss (Castle) Leopoldskron for sale in 1933. Germany attempted to prevent the sale.

Reinhardt will be remembered chiefly by film-goers as producer of the Hollywood version of Shakespeare's "Midsummer's Night Dream."

IL DUCE PARADES SEA POWER

Shows Italy's New Strength To Herr Hitler

Naples, May 5.
Signor Benito Mussolini treated Herr Hitler to a gigantic display of Italy's new sea strength.

Over 200 warships, including massed battleships and cruisers and 90 submarines, participated in what the Italians termed the biggest Naval Review since the Great War.

The two dictators were aboard the battleship Conte Cavour and as the fleet split into two lines and steamed slowly past, hundreds of thousands of frenzied citizens lined the horse-shoe bay of Naples to cheer the impressive sight.

At night the city was turned into a fairyland of multi-coloured lights, a gigantic electric sign containing the words "Long Live Hitler" being specially prominent.—United Press.

Later.

The grandiose Italian naval display having passed without a hitch, Signor Mussolini has returned to Rome.

Herr Hitler dined again at the Royal Palace with the King, appearing on the balcony to acknowledge the cheers of a hundred thousand people.

After dinner the German Chancellor drove through the crowded streets to the Sun Carlo Opera House, and left for Rome immediately after the performance there.

Much comment has been raised at the manner in which the King of Italy and the German dictator have been brought together so frequently during Herr Hitler's visit.

The frequency with which the King and Herr Hitler have been brought into official contact has changed the entire original scope and character of the visit.

Herr Hitler was to have come to Italy as the head of the Nazi Party on a visit to the head of the Fascist Party. Instead, subsequent proceedings have transformed the plan into a visit of the head of the German State to the King of Italy.—Reuter

RECENT SUSPICIONS

Berlin, May 5.
The Foreign Office, semi-officially referring to reports abroad of divergences underlying the outward point of Herr Hitler's reception in Rome, termed the reports "comments of professional speculators, dictated by ill-will, jealousy and short-sightedness."—United Press.

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Ottawa, May 5.
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This Czech-Slovakian gun has been adopted by the British Army, which has already been equipped with it. Patent rights for manufacturing the machine-gun in Canada have already been obtained from Czechoslovakia.

Unofficially, it is stated that an initial order has already been placed in Britain for the establishment of a factory in Toronto to manufacture guns.—Reuter.

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The official added: "The Chinese Government further regrets that the arrangement concluded is open to objection on several points. While not desiring to criticise it in detail, Reuter.

STOP PRESS NEWS

JAPANESE LOSE 75 WARPLANES

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SWIMMER FEARED TO HAVE DROWNED

Lo Pui-wn, 17-year-old student of Wah Yan College, is reported missing following a swimming party at South Bay Beach, near Repulse Bay, in which were teachers and students of the College. Lo was known to be a poor swimmer.

HONGKONG-BOUND JUNKS BURNED BY JAPANESE

A launch flying the Italian flag was yesterday stopped by Japanese who destroyed the junks which it was towing to Hongkong, according to a report made to the police by Chan Keng-sui, 29, one of the crew of the Legionario. This launch, the agents for which are the Ping On Steamship Co., left Macao at 6 a.m. yesterday, towing three junks with a general cargo valued at \$24,800. According to the report, an armed motor boat stopped the launch midway between Tai O and Macao and, after questioning the crew as to the cargo and its consignees, went back to a Japanese destroyer near by and brought kerosene tins. The crews of the junks were ordered on to the launch which was told to go on to Hongkong. The junks were then burned.

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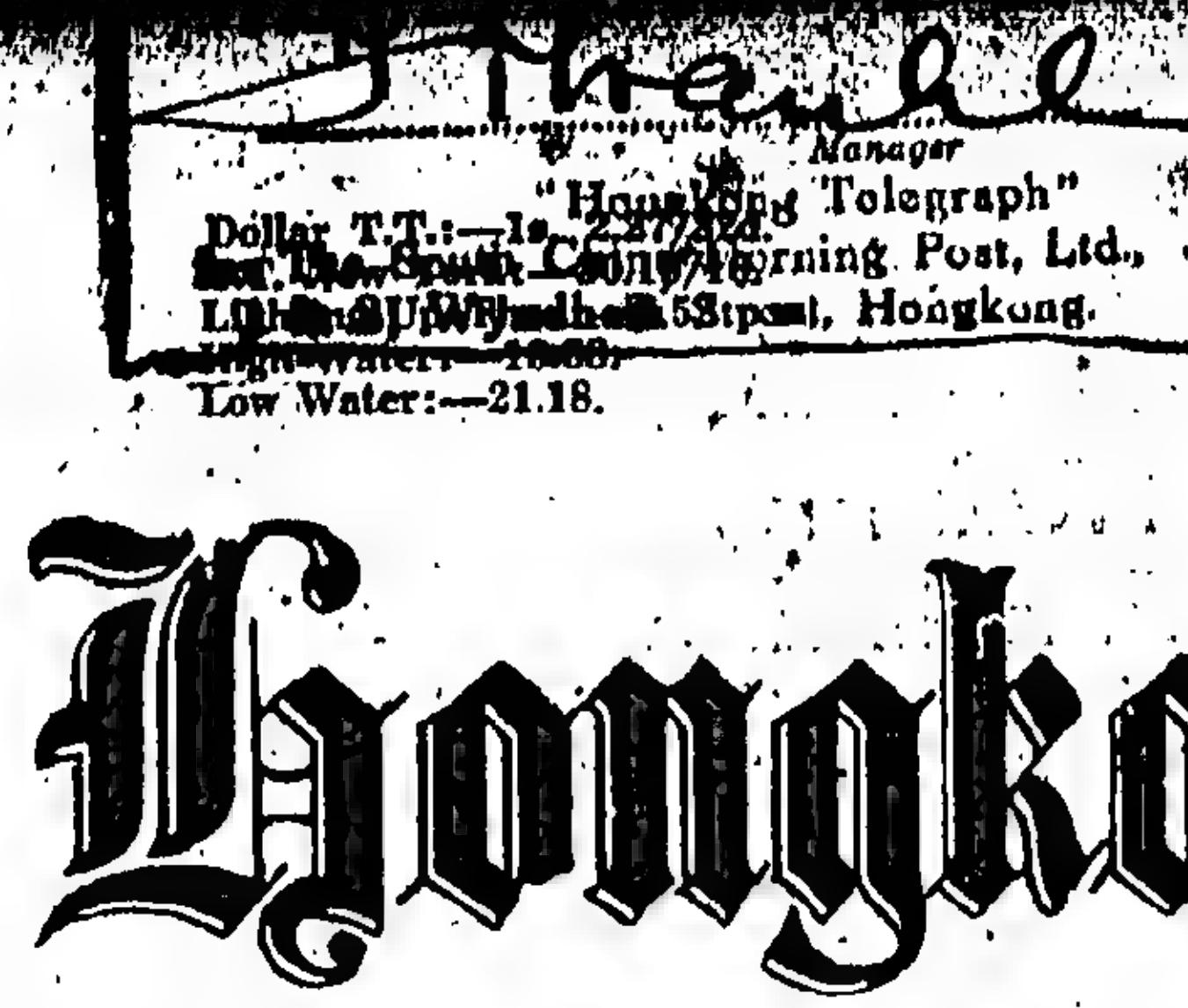
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GUERRILLAS ADVANCING ON PEIPING

DEFENDERS TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION

Furious Fighting On Tientsin-Pukow Line; New Japanese Drive

Peiping, May 6.

Considerable tension exists here following the reported arrival of Chinese guerrillas to within eight miles of the city's Western Wall. Many others are reported near Tungchow.

Apprehension has also been caused by the closing of most of the city gates, the prevention of Chinese from leaving the city and a careful search of all entering the city.

A Japanese spokesman declares that the precautions are due to an infiltration into the city of Communist elements in order to create disturbances.

Peiping was shaken yesterday by the reports of several bomb explosions. The Japanese explanation is that this was due to bombing practice, but to-day news was definitely learned of the approach of Chinese guerrilla forces.

The only safe exit from Peiping at present is by train to Tientsin, the services still running normally.

Chinese who enter the city gates are carefully scrutinised by Chinese police and Japanese troops, and the pilot of incoming aeroplanes are rubber-stamped to enable a complete check to be kept on arrivals.

Inns and other resorts are frequently searched by the Japanese.

Peiping and, in fact, the whole of Hopei Province, has been almost completely denuded of Japanese troops in order to provide all possible reinforcements for the Shantung front.—Reuter.

Japanese Facing Difficulties

Chengchow, May 6. Japanese on the Peiping-Hankow Railway are facing great difficulties through depredation of large units of their troops to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front.

Competent observers predict that they may effect a wholesale withdrawal from the northern part of Honan province in the near future.

Taking advantage of the Japanese depredation, the Chinese are counter-attacking the invaders in northern Honan and southern Hopei with success. They have had more than 20 engagements with the Japanese, inflicting considerable losses, and

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ULTIMATUM SENT TO CUSTOMS EMPLOYEES

Work For Nanking
Or Resign!

Shanghai, May 6. Chinese Maritime Customs officials not desiring to work under the Reformed Government of China will "have no alternative but to resign", a spokesman for the Nanking regime announced at noon to-day, one hour after the Shanghai Customs was placed under the control of the new administration.

Mr. L. H. Lawford, British Commissioner of Customs here, the spokesman added, had been "pledged to obey the orders of the Reformed Government."

The Reformed Government appointed Mr. Li Chien-nan Superintendent of the Shanghai Customs on April 28 to make preparations for the take-over of the Customs Administration.

"In accordance with the agreement reached on May 3 between the Japanese and the British Government," the statement said.

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Nanking Man Takes Over Shanghai Customs

Shanghai, May 6. The Reformed Government of China in Nanking at 11 o'clock this morning assumed control of the Chinese Maritime Customs here.

Calling on Mr. L. H. Lawford, British Commissioner of the Shanghai Customs, at 11 o'clock, Mr. Li Chien-nan, Nanking, appointed to the post of superintendent, informed Mr. Lawford that the Reformed Government was officially taking over the control to-day.—Dowell.

**Chinese Forces
Near Shanghai
Increasing**

Shanghai, May 6. Chinese regulars and guerrilla forces made their appearance near the outskirts of Hangchow on Wednesday night.

The tense situation at Shanghai is not relaxed. Shots were heard in western districts after nightfall.

Three hundred irregulars made their appearance at Tazan yesterday as they attempted to destroy the Japanese aerodrome. Other units are lurking at Sungkang on the Shanghai-Hangchow railway.—International.

**King Leopold
Godfather To
Dutch Princess**

Amsterdam, May 6. King Leopold of the Belgians will be godfather to the daughter of Princess Julian and Prince Bernhard, when their child is christened, according to an announcement made here.

The Crown Princess and her consort had asked King Leopold to accept this responsibility. The ceremony will take place on May 12, at The Hague.—Transocean.

Mussolini Seems to Favour Four-Power Pact

TREADING CAUTIOUS MIDDLE COURSE IN EUROPEAN POLITICS

Unlikely to Promise Aid To Germany if Ambitions Lead Hitler into War

Rome, May 5.

There is a growing conviction in Italian political circles that Signor Benito Mussolini is seeking to establish himself as a "middleman" between Germany and the British and French, the ultimate objective being a Four-Power Peace Treaty.

The opinion is expressed that Signor Mussolini is seeking this goal without destroying the Berlin-Rome axis or his good prospects of really friendly relations with Britain and France.

German sources are inclined to minimise the importance of the Agreement between Italy and Britain, and suggest that Signor Mussolini's ambitions in the Mediterranean are bound to bring a conflict with Britain.

Fascist circles doubt whether Il Duce is really interested in any economic concessions Herr Hitler might offer in return for support for his Czechoslovakian programme. Mussolini is said to believe that German concessions must be of non-permanent value.

This does not mean, however, that Signor Mussolini will necessarily withhold moral and diplomatic support of Germany's Czechoslovakian programme, but merely that he will refuse to promise military aid in the event of Herr Hitler becoming involved in war.—United Press.

Italian View of "Axis"

Rome, May 6. An article in the semi-official *Giornale d'Italia*, by Virgilio Gayde, makes it clear that Italy is at present bent on proving to the world that the German-Italian friendship is buttressed by strong military as well as political forces.

Although he is anxious to avoid indicating whether the creation of

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BRITISH TROOPS ON HUNT

Combing Palestine
Area For Arms
And Rebels

Jerusalem, May 5. What is described as the largest scale operations in several weeks began at dawn to-day when a large detachment of troops, co-operating with Royal Air Force machines and the police, started an intensive combing-out of an area in central Palestine of approximately 300 square miles.

Troops searched all villages and caves within the area for secret arms dumps and also for rebels believed to be in refuge in the area following numerous murders, armed robberies and kidnappings.

All main roads were blocked and civilian traffic suspended by the troops and police.

It is reported that a number of villagers have been sent to Tulkarm under armed escort for interrogation.—Reuter Special.

1,000 DIE IN RAIDS YESTERDAY

JAPANESE PLANES RAIN DEATH

Heavy air raids were carried out in many parts of China by Japanese warplanes yesterday, resulting in casualties exceeding 1,000 civilians. Five hundred men, women and children were killed in three Anhwei towns. A bomb-proof shelter at the Catholic Church in Suhsien was hit, scores being killed.

Nineteen were killed in an air-raid on Shekki, one-time pirate stronghold near Maeno, Hauchow, May 6.

Twenty-one Japanese planes, in three groups, subjected Suhsien, Kuchen and Fulchi, important Anhwei towns on the south sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, to a terrific bombing yesterday noon.

Suhsien suffered severely, between 400 and 500 civilians, including men, women and children being killed. They were flocking to the Catholic Church to seek shelter when nine Japanese planes zoomed over and rained scores of bombs. The place was immediately strewn with the dead and dying.

Villages in the vicinity of Suhsien, Kuchen and Fulchi were also heavily bombed. Over a hundred bombs were dumped in each place. Though detailed figures are not yet available, the casualties are believed to be extremely high. Kuchen and Fulchi were each raided by 12 planes.

A report from Haichow, the eastern terminus of the Lunghai Railway, states that three Japanese planes raided the town yesterday afternoon. Four bombs were dropped. Many civilian houses were wrecked, but no casualties resulted.

Another report from Hotel, in central Anhwei, reveals that the town was attacked by a lone Japanese plane yesterday morning. Three explosives were dropped inside the town, destroying six houses.

19 Killed Near Macao

Shekki, May 6. It has now been ascertained that 19 persons were killed, 41 wounded (Continued on Page 5.)

New British Naval Base For India

London, May 6. A new British naval base is to be established at Kathiawar, in the State of Junagadh, north of Bombay.—Transocean.

NAVAL PLANE SINKING



The plane from H.M.S. Birmingham, sunk on Tuesday after it capsized in the harbour, raised yesterday by the mooring vessel Moorlake, is pictured here a few minutes after her crash. Rescue ships are standing by to pick up pilot and observer, who were unhurt.

KING'S BIRTHDAY REVIEW PLANNED

Naval, Military and Air Force pageantry at the Happy Valley Race Course will feature Hongkong's celebration of His Majesty the King's birthday on June 9, when His Excellency the Governor will review the Hongkong Garrison in time-honoured manner.

Arrangements for the review have now been completed.

The review will start at 8 a.m. at which hour His Excellency the Governor arrives at the main entrance to the Race Course.

Seating accommodation for those desirous of witnessing the parade will be provided in the various enclosures. Admission to Enclosures A, B, D, and E will be by ticket obtainable only from the Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Headquarters Command, to whom application should be made by those requiring accommodation.

Reservations are being made for officers of the Royal Navy, Army, Royal Air Force, Hongkong Naval Volunteer Forces, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, their families, friends and members of the Q.A.M.N.S.

Accommodation will also be provided for the general public, Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers, Royal Navy, Warrant Officers, Staff-Sergeants and Sergeants of the Army and Royal Air Force, families and friends; Ratings, Royal Navy, Other Ranks, Army and Royal Air Force families and friends; Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and school children from the Colonial Schools.

Ticket holders for enclosures A to E inclusive, can reach these enclosures through the main entrance and by a specially constructed bridge over the race course. The entrance to the Race Course through the Sadding enclosure will not be open to the public.

The only entrances to the enclosures and Race Course stands are by the main entrances, all of which will be closed at 7.35 a.m.

MOTOR CYCLE ESCORT

His Excellency The Governor will arrive at the parade ground escorted by a motor cycle detachment of the H.K.V.D.C. and, immediately after the appropriate honours, inspects the parade.

After inspecting the parade, His Excellency will return to the saluting base and take the salute when the parade marches past.

The following will be in position on the platform in attendance on His Excellency (Continued on Page 5.)

MILLION FOR REFUGEES IN CHINA

AMERICAN DRIVE

San Francisco, May 5. The National Red Cross Convention has passed a resolution authorising the raising of U.S. \$1,000,000 for War Relief in China.

A resolution by the Chinese War Association states that "speakers have brought most vividly to the attention of the delegates the indescribable suffering of millions of civilians in China through no fault of their own. They have been deprived of their homes and are threatened with starvation."

Drawing attention to the fact that only U.S. \$177,000 has so far been raised as a result of President Roosevelt's plea, the association has completed plans to raise \$1,000,000 by June 15.—United Press.

FUNDS FOR WOUNDED

Hankow, May 6. Acting upon the recommendation of the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the Hankow Chapter of the London Lord Mayor's Fund has donated \$10,000 to the National Red Cross Society of China. The money will be spent by the Medical Commission on First Aid for wounded Chinese soldiers.—Reuter.

HUNGARY'S BIG LEVY FOR ARMY NEEDS

Budapest, May 5. A capital levy of £24,000,000 will be raised in Hungary.

Most of this money will be spent on the Army. Fourteen millions will come from industry and the balance from private persons.—Reuter Special.

STOP PRESS

Underwriters Hard Hit, Mr. J. J. Paterson Tells Shareholders

References to the "debacle" of 1936 and the heavy losses sustained by London underwriters with their attendant adverse affects on the Company, were made by the Hon. Mr. J. Paterson presiding at the 67th ordinary meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., held at noon to-day.

There were present: Messrs. Peter (Chairman), T. E. Pearce, J. H. Taggart, A. H. Compton, D. E. Clarke (Consulting Committee), F. C. Hall (Secretary), H. W. Dulley, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Messrs. Ho Kom-long, C. B. Brown, A. R. Fullerton (representing F. A. Joseph), Lo Cheung-lop, Ho Shih-cheung and D. Hung.

The Chairman said: "The Statement of Accounts for the year 1936, which we now present to you, is definitely less when compared with that for 1935 and, in view of what looked to be an excellent carry forward at this time last year, the outturn is most disappointing to us. Premium Income exceeded that for 1935 by just over £244,000, expenses fell from 29.28 per cent. to 28.92 per cent., but these satisfactory features were entirely nullified by the rise in the percentage of losses from 35.00 in the percentage of losses from 35.00

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ONLY THREE NEW
SMALLPOX CASES

Three additional cases of smallpox, including one from the harbour, were reported to the authorities yesterday, bringing the total to date to 2,297.

There were also reported three cases of measles, one of enteric fever, nine of meningitis, and one of dysentery.

CUSTOMS ACCORD ATTACKED

China Resentful Of Anglo-Japanese Arrangement

Hankow, May 6. A Chinese official interviewed concerning the Anglo-Japanese customs agreement declared: "The Chinese Government regrets to learn that certain temporary arrangements concerning the Chinese customs have been made between the British and Japanese Governments."

"While realising the British Government in entering these arrangements was motivated by a desire to protect its holders of foreign obligations and to preserve the customs' integrity, the Chinese Government regrets that without its consent the customs, which form an important part of the administration of the Chinese republic, should have been taken as a subject for arrangement between two foreign states, one of which is engaged in a war of aggression against China."

The official added: "The Chinese Government further regrets that the arrangement concluded is open to objection on several points. While not desiring to criticise it in detail, the agreement tends to prejudice the position of the customs as security because it singles out some obligations for favoured treatment and sanctions a diversion of revenue from others for which it is duly pledged, namely, internal loans."

"Moreover, the arrangements provide for the transfer of customs revenue from a neutral's to an enemy's bank, and thereby may facilitate the use by Japan against China of revenues which, although collected in Shanghai and other centres of distribution in occupied areas, represents taxes paid by the Chinese public outside as well as inside those areas."—Reuter.

HANKOW OPPOSITION

Hankow, May 6. Unanimous opposition is voiced in this morning's Chinese newspapers to the Customs Agreement between Britain and Japan.

Despite Britain's assurances that she will respect the integrity of the Chinese Customs and the fact that the arrangements are temporary, Chinese newspapers state that the agreement tantamount to a recognition by Great Britain of the Japanese occupation of Chinese territory.

This, adds the Chinese papers, is deplorable in view of the friendship existing between Great Britain and China.

The agreement is compared with the sale of Russia of the Chinese Eastern Railway to Manchukuo.

Both violated Chinese territorial and administrative integrity without the consent of the Chinese Government.—Reuter Special.

COCOA TRADE REMEDY SOUGHT

Port of Spain, Trinidad, May 5. The Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution that the British Government be asked to call a conference of cocoa producing countries in London to discuss the question of the cocoa trade.

The conference is desired in view of the uneconomic state of the cocoa trade at present.—Reuter.

Japan Denies Story Of Surrender

Junk Massacre Story Also Called False

Shanghai, May 6. Japanese naval circles here to-day categorically denied a Canton report alleging that 12 Japanese naval fliers had made an unconditional surrender to the Chinese.

"This could not have happened," a spokesman said. "Morale among Japanese pilots is high, while all Japanese aircraft are active."

The spokesman denied that orders had been issued to Japanese naval fliers to bomb defenceless people.

"Our military objectives are attacked," he said.

The Canton populace, the spokesman said, had "lost fear of Japanese air raids because the Japanese naval aircraft did not bomb the city."

The original Canton report alleged that the Japanese fliers said they preferred to be prisoners of war than carry out wanton and brutal orders to bomb defenceless and innocent people and non-military areas."

ANOTHER DENIAL

Hongkong reports that the crew of a Japanese blockade cutter had boarded a Chinese fishing junk near Macao on May 3, slaughtered its crew of 40, raped women and made off with loot valued at \$9,000, were denied by a Japanese naval spokesman here to-day.

Chinese junks, the spokesman said, had been sunk "only once" on April 17 when Japanese warships attacked a junk fleet serving as a decoy for a Chinese torpedo boat, retaliated. The torpedo-boat allegedly fired into Macao waters.

The policy of the Japanese Navy was not to interfere with junks engaged in peaceful occupations.—Domei.

City Accident Has Sequel In Court

Appearing on remand, Yu Kai-yun, a 17-year-old car cleaner, was fined \$20 for driving motor lorry No. 3063 along Gloucester Road without a licence, and without the owner's permission, at the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. R. Edwards was on the bench.

Traffic-Sergeant Baker said that the defendant was sent by his grandfather to drive the junction key of the lorry to the driver, who lived some hundred yards away from their residence in Locheart Road.

The defendant instead drove the lorry and crashed into a pillar in Gloucester Road. The lorry, which belonged to defendant's grandfather, was badly damaged.

REPORTS LOSS OF JUNK

A belated report made by Chung Min, 24, steersman of boat No. T102511, to the police has just been issued. Chung reported that during the gale on Tuesday, his junk, which was anchored off Fu Yee Kok, Ping Chau district, broke away from its moorings about 11 p.m. and was driven ashore. The junk was a total wreck.

The crew of seven men managed to swim ashore safely.



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NEW STAFF OFFICERS COMING

To Assume Duties At Headquarters Command

Two new Military Staff Officers are due to arrive in Hongkong in the near future. They will assume the duties of G.S.O.2 and Staff Captain at Headquarters Command, two positions which were temporarily discontinued but which have now been renewed.

Major A. C. French of the Suffolk Regiment is arriving from England within a month or two to take over the duties of General Staff Officer.

Born in 1900, Major French was gazetted Second Lieutenant in 1915, promoted to Lieutenant two years later, and was Adjutant from 1920 to 1923. He was Assistant Instructor at the Machine Gun School from 1921 to 1923, served as G.S.O.3 for Physical Training, Western Command from 1923 to 1925, and was Brigade Major of the Aldershot Command from 1925 to 1927.

Captain R. E. Moody of the Inns of Court Fusiliers is due to arrive here shortly to assume the position of Staff Captain. Born in 1901, Captain Moody was given his Commission in 1921, and became a Lieutenant in 1923. He was Adjutant from 1929 to 1932, and appointed Captain in 1935. He also served for a time in the 2nd Northumberland Fusiliers.

Bandits Out In New Territories

A Chinese armed with a revolver held up two villagers, Chan Kwei-shing, 21, and Chung Ho, 24, both of Lung Ku Tan, New Territories, near Ching Shan Kok about 11 a.m. on Wednesday. In their report to the police, Chan and Chung said that the bandit robbed them of money and jewellery to the total of \$102.

Another robbery in Pingshan district, New Territories, has also been reported to the police by the victim, Wong Sin-chiu, 28, widow. She stated that she was awakened about 1 a.m. on Wednesday by two men who entered her hut through the skylight. They threatened her and forced her to hand over the keys of her boxes, which were ransacked. The robbers finally decamped with property worth \$177.

DISCHARGED AMAH ROBS MISTRESS TRIED TO ESCAPE AFTER ARREST

On leaving her employment after receiving notice of dismissal, Chau Kum, 34, an amah, stole \$500 belonging to her mistress. She was later arrested, however, and appeared before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the theft from Po Leung Terrace, West Point.

Detective-Sergeant R. MacVey said Chau's mistress had given the woman notice to leave on April 20, after defendant had been in her employment for eight years. On April 29, defendant left without notifying her mistress, and after her departure, the loss of the money was discovered.

On May 2, defendant was found and arrested, and was taken to Shumshui, where she declared she had hidden the money. On the way across on the ferry, defendant managed to escape from custody and jumped into the harbour. She was rescued and had since been confined in hospital.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

DIVAN KEEPER CONVICTED

Sentence of one month's hard labour, together with fines totalling \$165 or a further three months, was passed on Chan Heung, 31, when he was convicted by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning of keeping an opium den in Shanghai Street, and being in possession of 100 heroin pills and 1.3 tons of prepared opium. Revenue Officer Warden said eight smokers had been found on the premises.—Reuter.

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F1000—Nice Work If You Can Get It	Harry Roy's Orch.
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Japanese Planes Bomb 40,000 Troops

Mass Air Raids On Lunghai Railway

Shanghai, May 6. Mass bombing operations against a concentration of 40,000 Chinese Central and provincial army troops south of Kaltouchen, on the Lunghai Railway, were "successfully" carried out by Japanese Army aircraft yesterday afternoon.

The bombers flew in large numbers over the Chinese concentration, bombing and strafing the troops on the ground. Relays of bombers took off from the base and returned several times for new loads of bombs and machine-gun ammunition.—Domei.

TRAFFIC OFFENDERS IN COURT

Summoned at the instance of Mr. E. W. Fielding, of Bay View Mansions, Lam Sau, driver of a Star taxi, was charged before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning with driving his taxi without due care and caution in Des Voeux Road Central on April 17.

Acting Sub-Inspector B. G. Baker said Mr. Fielding was driving his own car from east to west along Des Voeux Road Central and was passing Ice House Street when defendant shot out of the street from the direction of the Star Ferry wharf and collided with the rear of Mr. Fielding's car, causing damage to the extent of over \$100 which defendant had paid. Defendant drove at a speed of 25 miles per hour. He had a good driving record, however.

A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Norman Lee, the well-known Colony champion swimmer, was fined for driving at a dangerous speed in Queen's Road East on April 19. Traffic Sergeant Youde said defendant, who was riding a motor cycle, overtook a number of cars in the controlled area.

Cheung Ki, a chauffeur, was also fined \$20 for speeding in the Queen's Road East controlled area on April 10. He drove at a speed of 30 miles per hour.

DENIES CHARGE

Mr. F. d'Hardvilliers, of Stock Exchange Building, denied a charge of speeding in Yeo Wo Street on April 15. He was alleged to have driven at 40 miles per hour.

Defendant declared it was impossible to drive at such a speed in that street, and he could prove it to anyone.

Hearing of the case was adjourned until 11.30 a.m. on May 12.

A summons against Yeung Pei-yue, of 3 Seymour Terrace, for driving his car without due care and caution in Gilman Street on April 14, was adjourned until 2.30 p.m. on May 18. Mr. F. X. d'Almada, Jr., appeared for the defence, and pleaded not guilty.

U. S. Zee-wing, of Dodwell and Company, was fined \$10 for failing to have efficient brakes on his car. The summons arose out of an accident when the car, driven by another person, collided with a bus in Upper Albert Road.

Itchiro Masuda, of 20 Ice House Street, was summoned for failing to keep to the left side of the road when driving his car on April 11. Traffic Sergeant Youde said defendant was travelling along Wyndham Street, and on rounding the bend near the Dairy Farm, had failed to keep to his own side of the road. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

Poon Yan-hel, owner of private car No. 445, was fined \$15 by Mr. Butters for driving his car without a valid licence in Pokfulum Road on April 20. Defendant's chauffeur, Chan Kuen-fat, was also summoned for allowing an unlicensed driver to drive.

Mr. H. N. Chau, of Johnston, Stokes and Master, appeared on their behalf, and admitted the offences, but said that Poon had recently returned from England and had inadvertently forgotten to take out a licence. Since the summons had been issued, Poon had applied for and obtained a licence.

Navy Will Observe Joan D'Arc Fete

Ships To Dress And Fire Salutes

The Royal Navy will observe the Fete of St. Joan d'Arc on Sunday, May 8.

All H.M. ships in the stream will dress overall, with the French Ensign at the masthead, and will fire salutes of 21 guns each at 8 o'clock in the morning, again at midday and finally at sunset.

There will be no night illumination of ships, while vessels in dock will simply fly flags at the masthead.

Big Fine For Possession Of Liquor

Three Chinese fish dealers appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning charged with possession of dutiable liquor on board a sampan in the harbour.

First defendant, Kwok Tai-fuk, 32, pleaded guilty, while Leung Choh and Ng Sui-yau denied the accusation. Leung and Ng were discharged.

Kwok was fined \$300 with the alternative of three months' imprisonment.

COMMUNISTS WORRY POLISH GOVT.

Warsaw, May 6.

A Czechoslovak Note to Poland promises to liquidate communist activities on the Czech-Polish frontier.

The Note was sent in reply to a memorandum from Poland, alleging that communists in Czechoslovakia were spreading propaganda against Poland by means of newspapers and pamphlets.—Reuter.

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE RECORDS

F1051—Piccadilly Playtime

Dainty Debuts

F1045—Powerhouse

Alabama Bound

F1040—Tin Pan Alley

No. 8

There's a Gold Mine in the Sky

F1030—Our Linger Longer Island

Blues in My Heart

F1009—Cocktail Swing

F1008—Gonna Go

F1007—Big Chief "Swing"

F1004—Midnight in Mayfair

Four Hands on a Piano</p

SHIPPING STRIKE AVOIDED

Douglas Company Satifies Demands

The dispute between officers of the Douglas steamer *Haltan* and the Douglas Company, was settled yesterday evening, when negotiations, which had been proceeding throughout the day, were concluded to the satisfaction of both sides.

The men withdrew their "quit notices" shortly after 6 pm, following receipt of a letter from the Company, making clear the two or three points raised by the officers in their earlier communications, set through the *China Correspondent*.

Because of this all threat of the *Haltan* being prevented from sailing for Swatow, was removed, and the vessel, after a delay caused by the heavy amount of cargo to be loaded, left the harbour late last night.

Because the men themselves were loath to take drastic action, every effort was made yesterday by their representative to come to terms with the Company, and there was cause for congratulation on both sides that this was effected an hour and a quarter after the expiration of the men's notices to quit.

An earlier communication from the Company was favourable for a settlement of the issue, but the officers required further elucidation on certain points, one being whether leave was cumulative.

Because it was impossible for the Company to consider the requests immediately, there was some delay in the response, but a further letter was sent on behalf of the men, who shortly afterwards received the assurances they desired. The men expressed thanks to the Company and withdrew their notices.

RECRUITING CONTINUES BRISK IN BRITAIN

London, May 5

The total in take of recruits for the Regular Army last week was 900, an increase of 531 over the figure for the corresponding period last year, and record for that week was the great war.—British Wireless.



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FRANCE SEEKS NO TRADE ADVANTAGES BY DEVALUATION

London, May 5.

In a statement on the devaluation of the French franc, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons this evening that, in accordance with the tripartite agreement, consultations took place between Great Britain, the United States and France early this week.

In consequence of these conversations the French Government was informing Great Britain and the United States that France could not have maintained the franc at the old level and that she was contemplating a lower rate.

The French Government had given an assurance that it intends to achieve a rate corresponding to the economic position, and giving France no competitive trade advantage. Assurance had also been made that the present downward movement would be the last.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks

H.K. Bank, \$1,995/00 n.

H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £94 b.

Chartered Banks, £123 b.

Merchandise Banks, A. and B. £28 n.

Merchandise Bank, C. £14 n.

East Asia Bank, \$90 n.

Insurances

Canton Ins., \$270 n.

Union Ins., \$227 b.

China Underwriters, \$244 n.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n.

Shipping

Douglas, \$85 n.

H.K. Steamboats, \$224 b.

Indo-China (Prof.), \$60 n.

Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.

Shell Bunker, \$2/0 n.

Union Waterborts, \$8,00 n.

Docks etc.

H.K. & W. Wharves, \$138 sa.

H.K. & W. Docks, \$224 b.

H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$213/4 n.

H.K. & W. Docks Rts, \$11 n.

Providents (old), \$3,00 b.

Providents (new), \$3,00 b.

New Enginerring, Sh. \$4,05 n.

Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$94 n.

Kailan Mining Adm., 10/3 n.

Ruabs, \$93/8

Venz. Goldfield, \$2,60 b.

Hongkong Mines, 11 1/2 cts. n.

Philippine Mining

Antanomos, P. —

Atoko, P. 25 sa.

Baguio Gold, P. 21 1/2 sa.

Banquet Consol., P. 940 sa.

Benguet Explor. —

Big Wedge, P. —

Coco Groves, P. 55 sa.

Consolidated Mines, P. —

Demonstrations, P. —

E. Mindanao, P. —

Gumus G'fields, P. —

Ipo Gold, P. —

IXL, P. 70 sa.

Itogons, P. —

Masbate Consols, P. —

Min. Resources, P. —

Northern Min., P. —

Panacale Gunnus, P. 10 sa.

Salacot Mining, P. —

San Mauricio, P. 45 sa.

Suyoc Consol., P. 17 sa.

United Paracales, P. —

Landa Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$7,35 b.

H.K. Lands, \$37 b.

H.K. Lands, 4% Debent \$101 b.

Shai Lands, Sh. \$9 n.

Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —

Humphries, \$9,15 b.

H.K. Realtis, \$6,15 a.

Chinese Estates, \$100 n.

China Realtis, Sh. —

China Debent, —

Publio Utilities

H.K. Tramways, \$17,15 b.

Peak Trans (old), \$7 b.

Peak Trans (new), \$33/4 n.

Star Ferries, \$69/4 b.

Yau Ma Tei Ferries (old), \$24,00 n.

China Light (old), \$12,20 b.

China Light (new), \$9,10 b.

H.K. Electric, \$61/2 b.

Macau Electric, \$17,00 b.

Sudakian Lights, \$14 1/2 b.

Telephone (old), \$27,00 b.

Telephone (new), \$10,00 b.

China Buses, Sh. —

Singapore Tram, 22/0 n.

Singapore Prof. 23/0 n.

Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 1/4 n.

Cald: Macg. (P.M.), Sh. \$12 1/4 n.

Canton Iron, \$1,70 n.

Cements, \$10 1/4 n.

H.K. Ropes, \$4,70 b.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, \$25 b.

Watsons, \$6,00 n.

Lane Crawford, \$6,50 n.

Sinceres, \$2,20 n.

Wing On (H.K.), \$50 b.

William Powell, Ltd., 70 cts. n.

Cotton Mills

Two Cotton, Sh. \$12,00 n.

Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$74 n.

Zoong Sings, Sh. —

Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$45 b.

Miscellaneous

H.K. Entertainments, \$6 1/2 b.

Constructions, \$13 1/2 b.

Vibro Piling, \$5 1/4 b.

Ch. Govt, 4% 1925 G\$Bonds,

81 1/2 prn. b.

H.K. Govt, 4% Loan 8% prn. n.

H.K. Govt, 3 1/2% Loan 2% prn. b.

Wallace-Harpers, —

Marsmanns Ins. (Lon.), s/- 11/0 n.

Marsmanns Ins. (H.K.), s/- 4/- b.

IL DUCE PARADES SEA POWER

Shows Italy's New Strength To Herr Hitler

Naples, May 5. Signor Benito Mussolini treated Herr Hitler to a gigantic display of Italy's new sea strength.

Over 200 warships, including massed battleships and cruisers and 90 submarines, participated in what the Italians termed the biggest Naval Review since the Great War.

The two dictators were aboard the battleship *Conte Cavour* and the fleet split into two lines and steamed slowly past, hundreds of thousands of frenzied citizens lined the horse-shoe bay of Naples to cheer the impressive sight.

At night the city was turned into a fairland of multi-coloured lights, a gigantic electric sign containing the words "Long Live Hitler" being specially prominent.—United Press.

The grandiose Italian naval display having passed without a hitch, Signor Mussolini has returned to Rome.

Herr Hitler dined again at the Royal Palace with the King, appearing on the balcony to acknowledge the cheers of a hundred thousand people.

After dinner the German Chancellor drove through the crowded streets to the *Sta. Carlo* Opera House, and left for Rome immediately after the performance there.

Much comment has been raised at the manner in which the King of Italy and the German dictator have been brought together so frequently during Herr Hitler's visit.

The frequency with which the King and Herr Hitler have been brought into official contact has changed the entire original scope and character of the visit.

Herr Hitler is to have come to Italy as the head of the Nazi Party on a visit to the head of the Fascist Party. Instead, subsequent proceedings have transformed the plan into a visit of the head of the German State to the King of Italy.—Reuter.

RECENT SUSPICIONS

Berlin, May 5. The Foreign Office, semi-officially referring to reports abroad of divergences underlying the outward pomp of Herr Hitler's reception in Rome, termed the reports "comments of professional speculators, dictated by ill-will, jealousy and short-sightedness."—United Press.

Canada To Manufacture Bren Guns

Ottawa, May 5. It is officially announced that arrangements have been concluded for the manufacture of the Bren light machine-gun in Canadian factories.

This Czechoslovakian gun has been adopted by the British Army, which has already been equipped with it. Patent rights for manufacturing the machine-gun in Canada have already been obtained from Czechoslovakia.

Unofficially, it is stated that an initial order has already been placed in Britain for the establishment of a factory in Toronto to manufacture guns.—Reuter.

Septuplets Born Dead

Cauto, Cuba, May 5.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th day of May, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of His Lots of Crown Land at Ma Tau Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refundable on payment of the Purchase price.

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SAILOR FAILS TO ANSWER TWO CHARGES

Lending Stoker George Hogg, 24, did not appear before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he was charged on remand with driving a car without a licence, and driving it without the owner's permission at Des Voeux Road Central on the early morning of April 20.

The car crashed into a tramway standard opposite the Supreme Court and was badly damaged. Inspector A. V. Baker said he would send a notice to defendant's ship, if necessary, for him to appear in Court to-morrow.

The case was accordingly adjourned 24 hours.

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French Money Repatriated

New Confidence In Country Shown

Paris, May 6. Yesterday huge amounts of French capital were repatriated because, so it is declared in French financial circles, the Finance Minister, Mr. Paul Marchandieu had declared that after the rate of exchange fixed at 170 to the pound sterling, the French franc would not sink any further.

Likewise, it is stated in some quarters, that the preceding declaration made by M. Edouard Daladier in his broadcast address on Wednesday, that the rate of exchange of the franc in relation to the pound sterling could only change in favour of the franc, so profoundly impressed many Frenchmen that they converted their foreign currencies into French francs at once because they hold the opinion that the sterling rate is now at its peak.

In French Finance circles, it is asserted, yesterday forenoon saw over three millions of francs paid into the French treasury. That means it doubles the success for the French Government. On one hand these sales on devaluation increase the holding of foreign exchange at the treasury and on the other hand the capital returning to the French market will have direct influence in revitalising all economic affairs. The return of confidence in the stability of the franc was shown above all by the increased demand for French State Rentes yesterday while other fixed interest securities also advanced in price.

The devaluation of the franc and the increase of the taxation were greeted with great optimism by the afternoon press and received as incisive measures on the part of M. Daladier to put French State finance and French economic affairs on a sound basis.

Nevertheless, as the *L'Intransigeant* points out, the problem of the stability of the French franc cannot be considered apart from other matters and solved simply because of the Government's decree, but that on the contrary a catastrophe could not be avoided unless the French people succeed in making a great united effort to increase production.

The rehabilitation of French economic life did not depend on the repatriation to France of 100 million francs and by return to the circulation of gold hoarded by the people but rather first and foremost upon the acceleration of the rate of production of useful commodities and by the avoidance of legislation that hindered the productive employment of labour.—Trans-Ocean.

However, if anyone seeks to oppose that agreement, the Government shall be compelled to reconsider its stand.

"Customs officials not desiring to work under the new Government will have no alternative but to retire.

"Whatever the obstacles in its way, the Customs shall conduct its activities as usual," the statement declined.

ULTIMATUM SENT TO CUSTOMS EMPLOYEES

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ments, Mr. Li this morning informed Mr. Lawford that the latter had been appointed Commissioner of Customs by the Reformed Government and that, in future, he would have to obey the orders issued by the Reformed Government.

"Mr. Lawford pledged himself to obey the orders of the Reformed Government.

"After several minor details were attended to, the transfer of the Shanghai Customs to the Reformed Government was completed.

"As announced at the time of its establishment, the Reformed Government intends to respect the legal vested rights of foreign Powers in China, especially with regard to the service of foreign law.

"The Government will also faithfully pay some necessary obligations secured by Customs revenues in accordance with the agreement concluded in Tokyo.

"However, if anyone seeks to oppose that agreement, the Government shall be compelled to reconsider its stand.

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"Whatever the obstacles in its way, the Customs shall conduct its activities as usual," the statement declined.

—Domestic.

UNREGISTERED MUI-TSAI FOUND

A fine of \$50 was imposed on Yip Wah-ling, 32, married woman, by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning when she was charged with keeping an unregistered *mai-tai* at her house in Wing Fung Street.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, Inspector of *mai-tai*, said that information was received from the Sanitary Department that a *mai-tai* was in the address and Mr. Fraser visited the place yesterday and saw the girl. The girl it appeared had been presented to a woman named Chung Mai as part of her marriage dowry in 1937. Chung had come down to Hongkong from Canton 13 January, and had brought the girl with her. Owing to illness, Chung transferred the girl and her own children to the care of defendant, who was her mother-in-law.

The girl was very well-treated, added Mr. Fraser, and had expressed a wish to remain with defendant.

—Domestic.

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NEW WAYS OF FIGHTING DEATH,

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SYLVIA, CHRISTIAN TO END SEASON

Heavy bookings are reported by the Management of the Hongkong Hotel for to-morrow night, when Sylvia and Christian will make their farewell appearances. The talented Hungarian entertainers, whose extraordinary and unique dance numbers involve herculean efforts on the part of Christian, have created new records in Hongkong for the length of their stay in the Colony and for the large numbers who have witnessed their performances each night.

So popular have Sylvia and Christian been with the Hongkong public

BANISHEE GOES TO PRISON

Nine months' hard labour was imposed on Mr. Ting, 48, unemployed, by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for returning to the Colony before the expiration of his ten years' banishment term. Sub-Inspector Whelan prosecuted.

that their season, at the Grippi, originally scheduled to end a month ago, has been twice extended. The Hongkong season must definitely close to-morrow night, as the two Continental artists are under contract to appear at the International Club in New York early next month.

Pearleaf In Typhoon

The Fleet Auxiliary Pearleaf, attached to the China Station was given a severe battering by the typhoon while on her way to Singapore, according to information just received at the Naval Intelligence Office.

It is not believed that the vessel suffered any serious damage, but she had to heave-to for a "considerable period," and was sorely distressed by the high winds and heavy seas.

However, it is reported that the Pearleaf is now continuing to Singapore.

GUERRILLAS ADVANCING ON PEIPING

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have succeeded in recapturing over 10 towns.

Chinese guerrilla activities are spreading over a wide area. Taming in southern Hopei, Fonal in northern Honan, and Lintsing, on the Hopei-Shantung border, are surrounded by Chinese guerrillas.—Central News.

Japanese Success, In

N. Honan

Chengchow, May 6. Japanese forces aided by Chinese rebels under the former bandit leader, General Liu Kwei-tang, captured Chiaotso, on the Taching Railway in northern Honan, on May 4.

Chiaotso is of strategic importance to the Japanese in the defence of Po Ai, which they captured some time ago.—International.

Shanghai Report Of Fall Of Hofei

Shanghai, May 6.

Japanese planes yesterday bombed Hofei, on the Hwaihan Railway, during an air raid over Shantung yesterday.

The Shanghai Times reported this morning that Hofei had fallen into Japanese hands, but confirmation cannot be obtained. On the other hand, Chinese troops advancing from Hofei to the south-east are stated to be closing in on the Japanese at Chiaotso.

Heavy Japanese reinforcements are being rushed to Pengpu and Hsiaochow on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, where Hsiaochow is the principal objective.

A large force of Japanese who crossed the Hwai River are attacking Kuhshien, 30 miles north of Pengpu. Chinese troops are vigorously defending the north bank of the Fei River, south of Kuhshien.—International.

Japanese Strike North

Hankow, May 6. With the launching by the Japanese of a fresh northward drive from Anhwei severe fighting in the widest area so far seen is raging on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front.

The objective of the Japanese drive, according to competent military observers, is to relieve the Chinese pressure on the north sector of the railway line and to capture Hsiaochow, in order to bridge the gap between the north and south sectors.

Operating with Pengpu and Hsiaochow on the south bank of the Hwai River as bases, two Japanese columns, numbering 20,000 men, are pushing in the north and north-west directions to launch an enveloping movement on Hsiaochow. Fierce fighting has already broken out on the banks of the Fei, Wo and Hwai Rivers.

Reinforced by about 1,000 men, the Japanese troops which have stolen across the Hwai River, made a renewed attack on the Chinese positions at Huchinkow, on the south bank of the river, yesterday morning. Bringing their artillery into action, the Japanese heavily shelled the Chinese lines. In intervals of half an hour Japanese infantry units charged the Chinese lines. With their defence works totally demolished by Japanese artillery fire the Chinese withdrew across the Fei River toward evening.

Push Towards Hsiaochow

Meanwhile, a Japanese column is pushing northward along the Chiaotso-Hofei highway also with Hsiaochow as its objective. The Japanese vanguard of about 200 men is reported to have reached Hsinkoeh, 7 miles north-west of Chiaotso. Chinese reinforcements are pressing on Chiaotso and its vicinity to checkmate their advance.

On the northern sector of the Tientsin-Pukow line the Chinese general offensive continues to make steady progress. The centres of fighting yesterday were in the villages south-west of Tancheng and on the east bank of the Linching-Tsao-chwang-Tsai-chwang branch railway.

The Chinese forces made several onslaughts at Fengchihao, Chien-chwang and Tsiangchihwang, south-west of Tancheng in the morning. But owing to heavy Japanese artillery fire they were forced to withdraw. The Japanese are understood to be calling reinforcements from Linch.

On the east bank of the Linching-Tsao-chwang-Tsai-chwang branch railway the Chinese recaptured yesterday several vital points. The theatre of war is now at Yuwangshan, a hilly district on the east bank of the Grand Canal.—Central News.

Chinese Success In Hangchow Area

Kinlung, May 6. Successes of the Chinese guerrillas operating in the vicinity of Hangchow in Chekiang are reported in military advices just received.

Tsingsing, north of Hangchow, and east of Mokanshan, it is stated, was recaptured by the Chinese mobile units on May 1, after a night-long battle.

On the same day, Chinese guerrillas launched a surprise attack at Kashin, north-east of Kashin on the Shanghai-Cangchow Railway. Following the attack, they destroyed all the bridges on the railroad between Kashin and Sungkien.

Meanwhile, Yuhang, north-west of Hangchow, has been surrounded by the Chinese forces. In the afternoon of May 1 the Chinese attacked the west city gate.

A detachment of Chinese plainclothes men captured the Japanese in the vicinity of Kashin on May 3. The Japanese were dispersed. More than 1,000 plains of food supplies were seized by the Chinese.

On the Fuyang sector, an omnibus full prevailed yesterday. The Chin-

1936 EVIL YEAR FOR BUSINESS

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per cent to 64.64 per cent, leaving an underwriting surplus of but 0.43 per cent, or against 14.02 per cent, for 1935.

The figure of income from interest fell by approximately \$30,000, this being due to the number of conversions and repayments that were made in respect of gilt-edged stocks during the period under review; we feel that we are fortunate to have kept it where it is, seeing how many difficulties appertain to the investment of funds in these days.

WORKING ACCOUNT

The balance at credit of working account 1937, as at December 31 last, stands at \$2,363,005.07 an increase of \$151,093.05 on that for 1936 at the same stage. With a vivid recollection of how sadly 1936 let us down in this respect, we refrain from making any prophecy as to the final outcome but judging by our statistics and granted no repetition of the 1936 debacle, we feel that it should give no cause for complaint.

A review of the balance sheet will show that the total of assets is down by \$360,093.84 and £22,600. 6. 4, as expressed in Hongkong currency and sterling. The reinsurance fund is up by \$201,024.00 and £12,608. 17. 8, respectively, the underwriting suspense account by \$9,403.02 and £500. 10. 2, while the investment and exchange fluctuation account reveals decreases of \$483,434.05 and £29,062. 17. 11, these last being due to the fall in prices of securities, both sterling and local currency, as quoted on December 31 last.

The care of funds is a difficult problem under present world conditions and you will have read the note that appears in the report relative to the Company's investments in Shanghai (given below) and which not only has the approval but was inserted at the instigation of our auditors. As these investments are entirely confined to first-class debentures and mortgages, the whole of the interest being within the defence areas, and as all interest to the end of last year had been received, it was considered that in the circumstances—market quotations being available—the method we have adopted was the only reasonable one. The position is undoubtedly most difficult and the future obscure.

SUBSTANTIAL FIGURE

All other investments and mortgages have been included as is customary, at or under market or face value respectively and, after the necessary writing down has been done, our investment and exchange fluctuation account stands at the substantial figure of \$2,360,122.61 or £146,830.14.6 as expressed in sterling.

The surplus to be dealt with is \$72,385.41 out of which has been paid an interim dividend of \$5 per share. We now recommend a final payment of \$8 per share, making in all \$13 per share, which will absorb \$60,000, and the transfer of the balance of \$322,385.41 to underwriting suspense account, to close 1936 and previous years. The balance of \$2,363,065.87 at credit of 1937 Account allows of the payment of an interim dividend of \$5 per share for that year, leaving an amount of \$2,113,988.87 to be carried forward.

I do not propose to inflict on you a lengthy dissertation on the shortcomings of marine insurance, about which so much has been written; suffice it to say that the year 1936 was most unsatisfactory, more particularly with regard to London underwriting where the hopes engendered by results from 1929 onwards—though definitely waning in 1933/1935—crashed very badly. The main reasons for this were undoubtedly excessive competition, the high cost of re-insurance and the unusually bad weather that was experienced in Europe during the winter of 1936-1937. We are glad to be able to inform you, however, that our London friends are now more optimistic as to what lies ahead, owing to drastic changes that have been made in rates and conditions. There can be no doubt that London underwriters have received some very shrewd blows during the past two years and are most anxious to put their house in order.

MOTION PUT

I now propose the following Resolution: "That the report and accounts, as presented, including the payment of a final dividend in respect of the year 1936 of \$8 per share and an interim dividend in respect of the year 1937 of \$5 per share and the addition of \$322,385.41 to underwriting suspense account, be adopted and passed."

Mr. Ho Kom-tong seconded and the motion was approved.

On the motion of Mr. Fleming, the following were re-elected to the Consulting Committee: Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. Clarke, Constantine, Joseph, Pearce, Tugard and S. T. Williamson.

On the motion of Mr. M. H. Lo seconded by Mr. Fullerton, Messrs. Lowe, Blundell & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected auditors.

NEW SOVIET ENVOY

Moscow, May 6. M. Merkulov, Assistant Peoples' Commissar for Foreign Trade, has been appointed Ambassador to Berlin, in succession to M. Yurenev, who was reported to have been arrested in Russia last November.—Reuter.

e are consolidating their positions outside the city.—Central News.

Consolidating Gains

Hankow, May 6. Following the recent bitter fighting in southern Shantung, in which Chinese sources claim to have succeeded in smashing the Japanese central line, the Chinese troops are now consolidating the ground gained, and are awaiting reinforcements before launching further attacks.

A detachment of Chinese plainclothes men captured the Japanese in the vicinity of Kashin on May 3. The Japanese were dispersed. More than 1,000 plains of food supplies were seized by the Chinese.

On the Fuyang sector, an omnibus full prevailed yesterday. The Chin-

MUSSOLINI SEEMS TO FAVOUR FOUR-POWER PACT

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military ties between the two countries forms the subject of the present discussions, he nevertheless lets it be understood that the Berlin-Rome Axis is something more substantial than a political alliance.

After stating that on the occasion of his present visit Herr Hitler will have been able to convince himself of Italy's military power and the tremendous proposed expansion of Italian naval power from a navy of 260,000 tons in this year to 700,000 tons in 1941, he goes on to say:

"The political co-operation between Italy and Germany which has found its expression in the term of the 'axis' has for its constructive European objectives, as far as the protection of the interests of both nations, the legitimate and convincing background of Italy's imposing armed power. Added to this is the power of Germany, whose excellent technical equipment and military traditions we were able to admire during our visit to Berlin last year. Those friendships are most useful and most durable which do not exhaust themselves in passivity and in quest for help but which on the contrary are capable of rendering help."

"It is well that the world realises anew that Italy is strongly armed and will continue to arm and that the Berlin-Rome axis owes its strength to other instruments than those of spirit and will power."—Trans-Ocean.

Japanese View

Tokyo, May 6. Conversations now under way in Rome between Premier Benito Mussolini and Herr Adolf Hitler should be looked at "with new eyes for a new era," the Asahi Shimbun, influential Tokyo daily, said to-day.

"One should be accused of anachronism in judging the conversations between Il Duce and the Fuehrer according to the old idea of the German and British schools," he added.

"The relations between Rome and Berlin differ so greatly from those between Britain and France that, even if there does not exist a military alliance or a written agreement, Germany and Italy will naturally carry out co-operation or come to terms whenever necessary in the light of their national policies," the Asahi added.

KING'S BIRTH DAY REVIEW PLANNED

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Excellency during the March Past. The Commodore, Hongkong, Commodore E.B.C. Dicken, O.B.E., D.S.C., Royal Navy the Officer Commanding The Royal Air Force, Group Captain A. H. Peck, D.S.C., M.C., and the Commandant H.K.V.D.C. Lt.-Colonel R.C.B. Anderson, M.C. During the March Past, the Parade Commander, Brigadier F.W.L. Blissett, D.S.O., M.C., will also join His Excellency.

After Marching Past the Parade will reform line.

His Excellency will then leave the platform accompanied by the Senior Officers of the Services and take up a position in front of the flagstaff.

CHEERS FOR THE KING

The form of ceremonial will follow that laid down for parades held in honour of the King's Birthday when the Sovereign is not present.

The Union Jack flown during the March Past will be hauled down and the Royal Standard (furled) run up to the masthead.

The Commander of the parade will order the parade to give the Royal Salute and the Royal Standard will be broken at the masthead representing the arrival of His Majesty the King.

The Troops on parade will then advance in review order and the Royal Salute will again be given followed by three cheers for the King.

As the Royal Standard is hauled down, signifying the departure of His Majesty, the Royal Salute will once more be given by the troops.

His Excellency, The Governor and Commander-In-Chief will then leave the parade ground, after receiving the appropriate honours, accompanied by the Escort of the H.K.V.D.C.

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CINEMA PROGRESS

The history of the cinema is the history of a struggle on the part of its progressive and enlightened administrators for an improved expression and social and educational value in film entertainment. At least, that is what the intelligentsia of the art-industry has often proclaimed, and which Mr. Will H. Hays, President of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, endeavours to demonstrate in his annual report of 1938. Confronting this impulse has been the demand of pure commercialism. Commercialism, say critics such as C. A. Lejeune, Paul Rotha, Meyer Levin, George G. Nathan, and the former well known commentator, Cedric Belfrage, has been the successful enemy of the more artistic and educational elements of the cinema. He had taken a drastic step at a time when more of the lime-light played on him than is enjoyed by one politician in a hundred, when his career must have seemed enviable to every young man in the land.

His rise has been swift and almost sensational since that day in 1923 when he entered the House as Conservative M.P. for Warwick and Leamington.

At Geneva

HIS first chance came when Sir Austen Chamberlain, then Foreign Secretary, appointed him his parliamentary private secretary in 1926. There began an association with the Foreign Office which, in the opinion of many, went on too long for Mr. Eden's good, in the sense that it became too specialised.

In 1931 young Mr. Eden became Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

Ally speaking their efforts may claim to have helped the film industry through a very trying period of adolescence, and to have given it a new appreciation of its potentialities as a medium for artistic, educational and social expression.

Particularly striking has been the advance made by the news-reel. Though often tinged with propaganda it is, nevertheless, the most effective means of bringing before the public in a vivid manner the news and events of the world. It has stimulated a greater demand for "shorts" of a real educational value such as the "Nature's Wonders" series, "Educated Fish", the "Romance of Radium", the "Popular Science Series", the "Happy Hour Series", and other such films.

Consistently prodded by Mr. Hays and his organisation (as well as by an increasing public demand) producers have shown a willingness to feature subject-matter of definite social value. What is doubly important, in almost every case these pictures have become "box office hits".

The increasing artistry of the cinema is revealed by Walter Disney and his cartoons and Silly Symphonies, now given its highest expression through "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs".

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American Statesman Warns Dictatorships

DEMOCRACY MAY LOSE PATIENCE

Aggression Must Be Halted or War May Sweep World

Washington, May 5.

"I warn Germany, Japan and Italy that if dictatorships push democratic nations too far, the result will be a war."

This significant declaration was made by the Secretary of War, Mr. H. H. Woodring, in the course of a speech to-day.

Because the Japanese occupation of Manchuria was without effective opposition from the Democratic Powers, it had started a chain of events such as German re-armament, the occupation of the Rhineland, the Abyssinian and Spanish Wars and the Japanese invasion of China.

Democracies were now most pacific, but if pressed too far a wave of indignation may sweep over them, making it most difficult to keep peace.

"It is essential to halt this continued aggression before it gets out of hand," Mr. Woodring declared.

"I do not believe there is any danger of a general war, but the world situation is such that the United States must build up its defences, because whenever a foreign war impends our own peace is less secure."—Reuter.

Japan Primarily To Blame

Washington, May 5. Speaking to the United States Chamber of Commerce to-day, and plainly addressing military-minded nations, Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary for War, warned Japan, Italy, and Germany that if they push democracies too far there will be war.

Mr. Woodring blamed world chaos primarily upon Japan.

"There seems to be no question that the Japanese occupation of Manchuria in 1931 was the beginning of a chain of events which led directly to much of the present difficulty," he said.

Mr. Woodring included German re-armament, conscription and occupation of the Rhineland and Italy's attack on Ethiopia and armed intervention in Spain in the same category as the Japanese invasion of China.—United Press.

U.S. Prepared Evacuate Citizens

London, May 5. American Consulates throughout Europe, acting on instructions from the State Department, are preparing and re-checking plans to evacuate thousands of American residents in the event of war.

The preparations are designed to avoid the confusion which resulted from attempts to evacuate Americans in August, 1914.

United Press has conducted a survey of the European countries containing the largest number of American residents. Most of the Consulates declined to discuss the survey, others insisted that it was merely routine, and similar to arrangements which have been carried out in the Far East in past years.

The United Press survey indicated that the major problem would consist in providing a sufficiency of shipping, and indicated that the United States would probably be forced to rush transports across the Atlantic to handle the evacuation.—United Press.

Peace Rests With Dictators

Washington, May 5. Senator Key Pittman, in an exclusive statement to United Press this morning, declared that the peace of Europe, and probably of the world, hinges on the outcome of Hitler's conversation with Mussolini.

He foresaw a long period of Nazi retrenchment and consolidation of recent gains, and a "hand-off" policy in Czechoslovakia if Mussolini refuses a military alliance.

"The two Fascist nations have a splendid opportunity to bridge the realistic world of understanding which might terminate the Spanish and China Wars," he declared.

"World peace apparently revolves on the strength of the pact between Italy and Great Britain."

"A blunt warning from Mussolini that he would not interfere if Britain and France defend Czechoslovakia against German aggression might at least temporarily check Germany's expansion eastward."

Will Hinder Japan

"Such a development would naturally weaken the anti-Comintern Pact between Italy, Germany and

CHURCHILL DISTRUSTS DE VALERA

Might Demand Whole Of Ireland In Time Of Crisis

Chamberlain's Defence

London, May 5. Moving the Second Reading of the Eire (Confirmation of Agreement) Bill, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, paid a tribute to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald for his inexhaustible patience and sympathy in connection with the negotiations.

The Partition question has been left aside since Britain made it perfectly clear that it was a subject which must be discussed between Northern Ireland and Eire, and that Britain could not even think of putting pressure upon Northern Ireland to come to any arrangement which might not command itself to the Northern Ireland Government.

"The Trade Agreement with Eire might be considered equally beneficial to both parties," Mr. Chamberlain told the House.

"We believe that the coal-mining industry in particular will welcome the advantages that may be expected. On the face of it, the Defence and Finance agreements do not constitute good agreements for Great Britain, because they make the largest and most impressive concessions to Eire without superficially corresponding advantages to Britain.

"But one must look outside the agreements for intangible, imponderable but nevertheless invaluable fruits which, on various occasions in the past, have rewarded an unselfish act of generosity by a great and powerful nation towards a weaker and poorer state," the Premier said amid applause.

Financial Settlement

Excluding Eire's annual payment of £290,000 with respect to damage to property, the British claims have been capitalised at over £100,000,000. The Government of Eire did not admit this claim; nevertheless Britain has been receiving over £4,000,000 annually from special duties.

All financial claims are being withdrawn in return for £10,000,000, Mr. Chamberlain informed the House.

"Nobody could deny that this was generous treatment, but if ever the dispute between Eire and Britain was to be ended, some compromise was inevitable."

"Further, we should recollect that we are not dealing with a foreign country, but with a partner in the Commonwealth of Nations, and therefore we were dealing with Eire on terms of partnership and not on terms of competition."

Defence Difficulties

Proceeding Mr. Chamberlain said that no part of the discussions gave more prolonged or more anxious moments than the subject of Defence, and the request made by Eire that Britain hand back full and unrestricted possession of certain forts, and repeal certain articles of the 1921 Treaty, which gave Britain rights to those forts.

"After the most careful consideration of all the circumstances, and after due consideration by the Chiefs of Staff, we came to the conclusion that a friendly Ireland was worth far more to us, both in peace and in war, than our paper rights under the 1921 Treaty. These Treaty rights were only maintained perhaps by increasing the old ill-will between the two nations."

Mr. Chamberlain recalled Mr. De Valera's statement that Eire would not permit Irish territory to be used by any foreign power to attack the United Kingdom, and that he would put the forts in question into a proper state of defence.

Referring to the Northern Ireland representations that some provisions of the Anglo-Eire Agreement might materially affect Ulster's economic interests, Mr. Chamberlain said that the British Government had been able to meet the very considerable number of suggestions made to it.

He concluded by exhorting the House to bear in mind that the conclusion of the Anglo-Eire Agreement had obtained warm approval not only of the United Kingdom, but in other countries, in the Dominions, the United States, indeed everywhere.

No Secret Understanding

After the Prime Minister, in reply to questions by Sir D. Reid and Mr. Winston Churchill, had given an assurance that there was no secret understanding behind the Agreement, Mr. Churchill declared that the Agreement seemed to have given everything away in return for £10,000,000.

"The Agreement does not end the Anglo-Irish quarrel, because Mr. De Valera said that he will never end until Partition has been swept away," said Mr. Churchill.

The speaker recalled anti-British activities in Eire and the "dark forces in the Irish underworld" during the Great War.

"The Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921,

PRINCE JUAN MAY RULE IN SPAIN

Restoration Likely With Insurgent Victory Complete

Saragossa, May 5. Insurgent headquarters indicated to-day that the monarchy would be probably restored in Spain, with Prince Juan, King Alfonso's third son, as the new ruler.

The monarchy will be established as soon as fighting ends in victory for the insurgents.

The spokesman declined to discuss how and when the present system would be changed.

Several persons closely attached to Insurgent headquarters privately admitted being in favour of the restoration of the monarchy, which was replaced by the Republican system when King Alfonso abdicated, but they quickly add that the King's powers should be limited.

The form the new Spanish Government will take is still open to question. Some Insurgent leaders suggest that it should be similar to the British system without a Parliament. Others favour the Italian system.—United Press.

RAID ON BARCELONA

Madrid, May 5. An unknown French steamer is reported to have been set afire when Barcelona was again bombed by Insurgent planes to-day. The vessel was later towed out of the danger zone.

Fifteen people were killed and 35 wounded in the course of a second air raid on the city. Twenty houses were demolished.—Reuter.

H.K.-BOUND JUNKS DESTROYED

A launch flying the Italian flag was yesterday stopped by Japanese who destroyed the junks which it was towing to Hongkong, according to a report made to the police by Chan Kui-sui, 29, one of the crew of the Legionnaire. This launch, the agents for which are the Ping On Steamship Co., left Macao at 8 a.m. yesterday towing three junks with a general cargo valued at \$24,800. According to the report, an armed motor boat stopped the launch midway between Tui O and Macao and, after questioning the crew on the cargo and its consignees, went back to a Japanese destroyer near by and brought kerosene tins. The crews of the junks were ordered on to the launch which was told to go on to Hongkong. The junks were then burnt.

of which I am one of the few remaining signatories, has been repudiated and violated in every detail by de Valera.

"When experts were drafting the Treaty of 1921, the Admiralty advised me that without the use of the Irish ports it would be most difficult and perhaps impossible to feed the British Isles in war time.

"I am not going to argue that the Irish ports might fall into enemy hands in wartime, but there is a danger that Eire might be neutral.

De Valera might hold the pistol to our head, and say that he will make common cause with us only if we give him the whole of Ireland," Mr. Churchill concluded.

He suggested that the Bill might be postponed pending further arrangements regarding Treaty ports and common Defence action.

MacDonald Replies

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, replying to the Debate, said that it was the faith of the British Government that by the exercise of the same tolerance and encouragement, and the same mutual respect and trust as had been achieved, reconciliation between the French and British in Canada and the Dutch and British in South Africa, another miracle of reconciliation could be achieved between the British and the Irish in Ireland.

Referring to the financial agreement, Mr. MacDonald said that the British Government confidently expected the balance sheet not to be simply a financial balance sheet.

"If we could receive from the Government of Eire friendship instead of hostility, confidence instead of distrust and co-operation instead of opposition then, I sincerely believe, the giver will be twice blessed," he said.

Mr. MacDonald emphasised the Irish resentment at the British occupation of Irish ports, and said that the British Government, with its naval and military advisers, had deliberately come to the conclusion that the security of Great Britain would be greater after evacuation was concluded.

"The Agreement puts Irish freedom beyond a shadow of doubt, and with the removal of the causes of dispute between the two nations, friendship between Britain and Ireland should be inevitable and naturally grow,"—Reuter.

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Helen Lockhart (Contralto) In Hebridean Songs

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7.33 Murgatroyd & Winterbottom.

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8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—A Recital of Hebridean Songs by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) Accompanied by A. T. Lay.

1. Kishmish's Galley; 2. In Hebridean Seas; 3. Piano Solo—Coronach (Edgar Barrett); 4. A. T. Lay; 5. An Island Shelling Song; 6. An Eriksay Love Lilt. (Songs arranged by Marjorie Kennedy Fraser).

8.30 B.B.C. Recording—Legal Cruelty.

A Visit to the London Law Courts—As seen by Ian Hay.

8.43 Divorak—Concerto In B Minor, Op. 104.

Played by Pau Casals (Cello) and The Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Georg Szell.

9.23 Songs by Theodore Charapine (Bass).

Arise, Red Sun—Russian Folk Song; Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Nekrasov)—Neustrueff—Munikh.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Military Band Selections.

Hungarian Fantasy (A. Flagedy).

Band Of The Royal Hungarian 'Marie Therese' Regiment conducted by Alexander Flagedy; Hlawatza—March (Mortz). The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards conducted by Lieutenant J. C. Windram.

10.0 London Relay—Palace Of Varieties'.

Licensee and Manager, Ernest Longstaff; Al and Bob Harvey (Our Two Canadian Pals); Murray and Hobbs (Two of a Kind); Charles Penrose and P. C. Evergreen, the Laughing Policeman; René Houston and Donald Stewart (The famous Radio, Stage and Screen Stars); Down Our Street (A Scrap of London Life), written and played by George Buck with North Blakemore, Fred Douglas and Company.

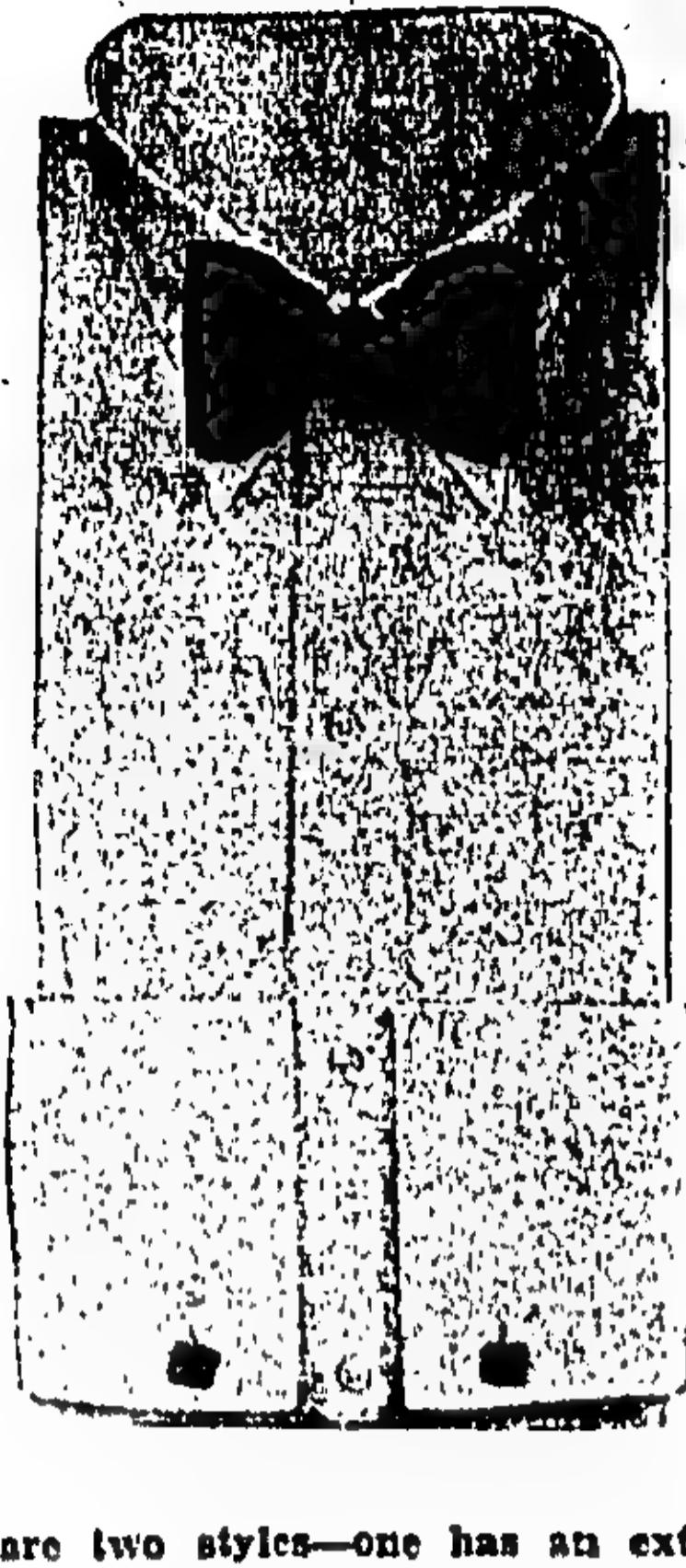
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11.0 Close Down.

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TSUI WAI-PIU WINS TENNIS TITLE FOR THIRD TIME

Sprinting Events For To-morrow's Races

SILKYLIGHT HAS GONE UP TO SHANGHAI FOR ITS SUMMER REST

Lady Northcote's Gladiator Has Splendid Chance To Win

(By "Captain Foster")

The Hongkong Jockey Club is holding its Fourth Extra Race Meeting to-morrow at Happy Valley when the first saddling bell will be rung at the usual time, 1.30 p.m.

After two days of hard racing at the Easter Carnival, all the nine handicap contests to-morrow are sprinting events, the longest run being over a mile and there are three races from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards).

Messrs. H. P. Channon and V. V. Needa will not be seen in action, for they have gone up north to ride at the Spring Meeting under the auspices of the Shanghai Race Club.

It is learned that the "wonder pony," Silkylight, has returned to Shanghai to spend his summer there and will be back here in time for the Griffins St. Leger which will be run in early November.

A KEEN TUSSLE EXPECTED

Gladiator May Win Mount Gough H'cap

The ban on winners of \$1,750 or more in stakes since January 1, this year, has precluded several good first class China ponies from the opening event, the Mount Gough Handicap over six furlongs. There are only half a dozen entries. I am looking forward to seeing a keen tussle between Lady Northcote's Gladiator (Mr. Proulx), Mrs. Stanton's Oak Bay (Mr. Raymond) and Mr. Dunbar's Wild Life (Mr. Black). It is learned that His Excellency the Governor will be in time for this race and it is to be hoped that His Excellency will have the pleasure of leading in her Ladyship's Gladiator ahead of the procession. Gladiator has been placed in all his five outings of this year, the best run, to my estimation, being behind Desert Chief and King's Warden in the Mirs Bay Handicap when Mr. Eu Tong-son's candidate romped home first in record time of 2.05 over a jaunt from the two mile post, once round and in. When they met in the "All Out" Stakes over six furlongs, Oak Bay just managed in the nick of time to shave his nose ahead of Gladiator over the touch line and he was awarded the verdict of a short head. But it must be remembered that the jockey (Mr. Fung) on Gladiator did not carry a whip, for a stroke of the cane would have reversed the decision. At any rate Lady Northcote's nomination has a pound of lead less to carry and I fancy Gladiator will make amends.

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

22 Entries For An Open Race

The "Hunchbacks" Handicap for non-winning subscription griffins of this club to be ridden by novices will no doubt give us another thrill; for the contest is also from the 1½ mile post and incidentally it is the first leg of the daily double. We have a long list of 22 entries, for the first selection and anything may happen here. By virtue of his win at Macao, Tribune has incurred a penalty of seven pounds and he has to weigh out at 147 lbs. One thing I like about Tribune is that he is a good starter, but believe it or not, he has not much of a finish in a tight corner. I noticed this last Sunday at Macao and it seemed to convey the impression I said in my last notes that he was a duffer. However, it is extremely difficult to venture an opinion which pony has a sporting chance to cross the wire first, but judging by the handicapper's ranking list, there are only two ponies, namely, Charvella and Fei Ying, the former being allotted 161 lbs and the latter has 168 lbs. The balance of 20 are from the 150 mark and under, ten ponies carrying 140 lbs. Charvela has been knocking at the door since February last and it is about time that he should present his card to the two judges. Fei Ying is an honest guy to have your money on while National Duty is not a bad bet to follow up after his good second in the Puk-tam Handicap.

GOLDEN COW HAS GOOD PROSPECTS

Especially If Going Is On Soft Side

The Talmoshan Handicap for "D" class China ponies over a mile has been divided into two divisions by the official handicapper, and he has assigned 11 best racers to the first section. Golden Cow, who annexed the Tai Wan Bay Handicap (second section) at the Easter session is on level terms with Desert Star and should the going be on the soft side, he should be well up at the finish. Salvage Master, after her good win on Easter Monday, has a pull of 10 lbs. against these two nags and we are bound to see a good scuffle for the first position in the frame. Cuban Love and Dekko are also in this section carrying the lowest impost, but I am afraid that the trip of a mile is not to Dekko's liking. It has been represented to me that Mr. Encarnacao has been booked to ride Pier Helm, but with due respect to the Shanghai crack jockey, I am of the candid opinion that it was not a wise step to take owing to the fact that he cannot tip the scale at 146 lbs.

WILL ROSE-QUEEN BREAK SEQUENCE OF FAILURES?

We are going to view a fine scramble in the Mount Davis Handicap (first section) for "C" class China racers from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards) and the allotment of 12 speeds merchants to this section is setting puzzle. Mr. Eu Tong-son's Rose-Queen does not require a write-up, but the inclusion of this mare (formerly in "B" class) here with an allotment of 168 lbs. and to be ridden by Mr. Encarnacao will undoubtedly enliven the parlour department. It is strange to say that she has a sequence of eight unplaced outings this season and I wonder whether her series will be broken to-morrow. As I have said, we have several roadsters such as Amberley, Just in Time, King's Bounty, Lancashire Lass and Royal Consort, all of them well in with no excessive lead to shoulder. Apart from this strong contingent of sprinters, Rose-Queen has no love for the barrier and this is a question which punters must not overlook. Tyne has a burden of 163 lbs. and should he manage to break the tape first, your five dollar bill is quite safe on this bay gelding. Amberley, King's Bounty and Laughing Girl are my fancy.

A GOOD RUN ASSURED

In the Talmoshan Handicap (second section) for "D" class China ponies which is the second leg of the daily double, the transfer of Flyby-night, Gold Sovereign, Mac's Adventure and Sylvandale from the first division to this section should give punters something to think about, for there is a big list of 21 entries. There is, however, one consolation, that the contest is over a mile and we should get a good run for our money. Gold Sovereign has been allotted topweight of 168 lbs. but he has incurred a penalty of seven pounds on account of his win in Macao last Sunday and Mr. Li Tse-fong's candidate has to weigh out at 175 lbs. The only chance of winning is to put up a novice and even then I am afraid that it will be a hard proposition. Flyby-night has not been running too well this season while Sylvandale seems to have lost his sense of racing. These two old timers were public idols, but as they are now in a lower class, I see no reason why they should not regain a bit of the confidence which both of them had enjoyed at one time in the parlour. On the strength of their good show in the Boa Vista Handicap, the three placed ponies, namely, Good Morning, Racing Boy and Tempest, have been asked to give liberal allowances to other starters and it is good to remember that to-morrow the trip is two furlongs longer. This may hinder their chances. Tabby Cat did not run a bad race in the same event and I like the genet, Meteor and National Force are indeed very low with only 150 lbs. to carry, but the question is: can they last a mile?

MR. LI LAN-SANG HAS FOUR HORSES IN SAME EVENT

Mr. Li Lan-sang has four nominations, Harvest View, Havoc Eve, Honeymoon Eve and Humdrum Eve, in the penultimate event, the High West Handicap for "B" class among the China ponies over a mile. The last named makes his first appearance in the "B" company, the promotion being due to his wonderful performance in the Deep Bay Handicap for "C" class at the Easter Meeting when he captured the event in good time of 1.26.3/5 for six furlongs, and the charger was carrying a load of 165 lbs. It is considered by competent judges that Humdrum Eve's best distance is from six furlongs and under, but I am inclined to take another view and I say that it must be a good first class racer to beat him to-morrow. I have not been able to ascertain whether all the four candidates will accept, but as we are now nearing the end of the first half of the racing season, it will not surprise me to see all competing under the starter's orders. I saw Dawn Star the other morning and the grey mare did not look too good. Commencement Bay in this company is, without prejudice, to make up the field while Expression Time, if accepted, is simply to satisfy the classification sub-committee. New Star and Red Feather are dangerous.

LAST EVENT

The meeting will terminate with a fast run from the 1½ mile post in the Mount Davis Handicap (second section) and the order of finish should be Juniper Jim, Laughing Buddha and Night View.

Brutus May Turn Tables Again
Canterbury Park Handicap "C"

The Canterbury Park Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over six furlongs should draw a big field, there being 16 entries. When they fought the issue out in the St. Kilda Handicap from the 1½ mile post, Brutus (winner) and Twilight Star (second) were on the same level, but in the subsequent outing, the Cabramatta Handicap over a mile, Twilight Star, who had a pull of a couple of pounds, turned the tables by two lengths. To-morrow Twilight Star, now to give three pounds to Brutus and being a sprint over six furlongs, it indicates that the latter has the benefit of balancing the extra weight. The real danger, in my opinion, is Discovery Bay, who finished third in the St. Kilda Handicap. He was conceding 13 lbs. to Brutus and Twilight Star whereas to-morrow there is hardly any difference in the avor-dupois between these three cobs. The adjustment favours Discovery Bay and this progeny by Fernkloof has four good legs over six furlongs. Racing Heart, I understand, is still on the walking list, but Perfect Day I am afraid, will be running out of his distance. Zodiac is looking well while Violet Queen can be trusted for big money. Among the youngsters of this season, Brecon is within her prowess and Macquarie River is about due for a win.



THE NEW TENNIS CHAMPION—Tsui Wai-pui, who defeated H.D. Rumjahn in the final of the Colony tennis singles championship yesterday, making a typical backhand return. (Photo: Staff Photographer).

As I See Sport

By "Abe"

RUMJAHN NOT AT HIS BEST IN TENNIS FINAL LOSES COLONY TITLE TO DAVIS CUPPER

CONGRATULATIONS to Tsui Wai-pui on winning the Colony tennis singles title for the third time in his career. It is an honour thoroughly deserved, for there is no disputing the fact that he is the best player we have at the moment. Though he started rather shakily against H. D. Rumjahn yesterday, he was so obviously the better man in the latter stages of the match that the end was only a matter of time. Apart from a perceptible weakness in his service, Rumjahn was playing as well in the first set as he has ever been seen to play, and his collapse in the three succeeding sets was rather surprising to all those who saw the encounter except a few who knew that he has been nursing a sore elbow during the last few days. But even at his best, he would have been hard put to it to avoid defeat against the type of game which the Chinese Davis Cupper was playing; he might conceivably have won a few more games, or even another set, but it would be extremely difficult to envisage him having the better of his opponent. Playing as badly as he did in the last three sets, however, he made things very easy for Tsui Wai-pui.

Newport And Bristol R. Play Drawn Game

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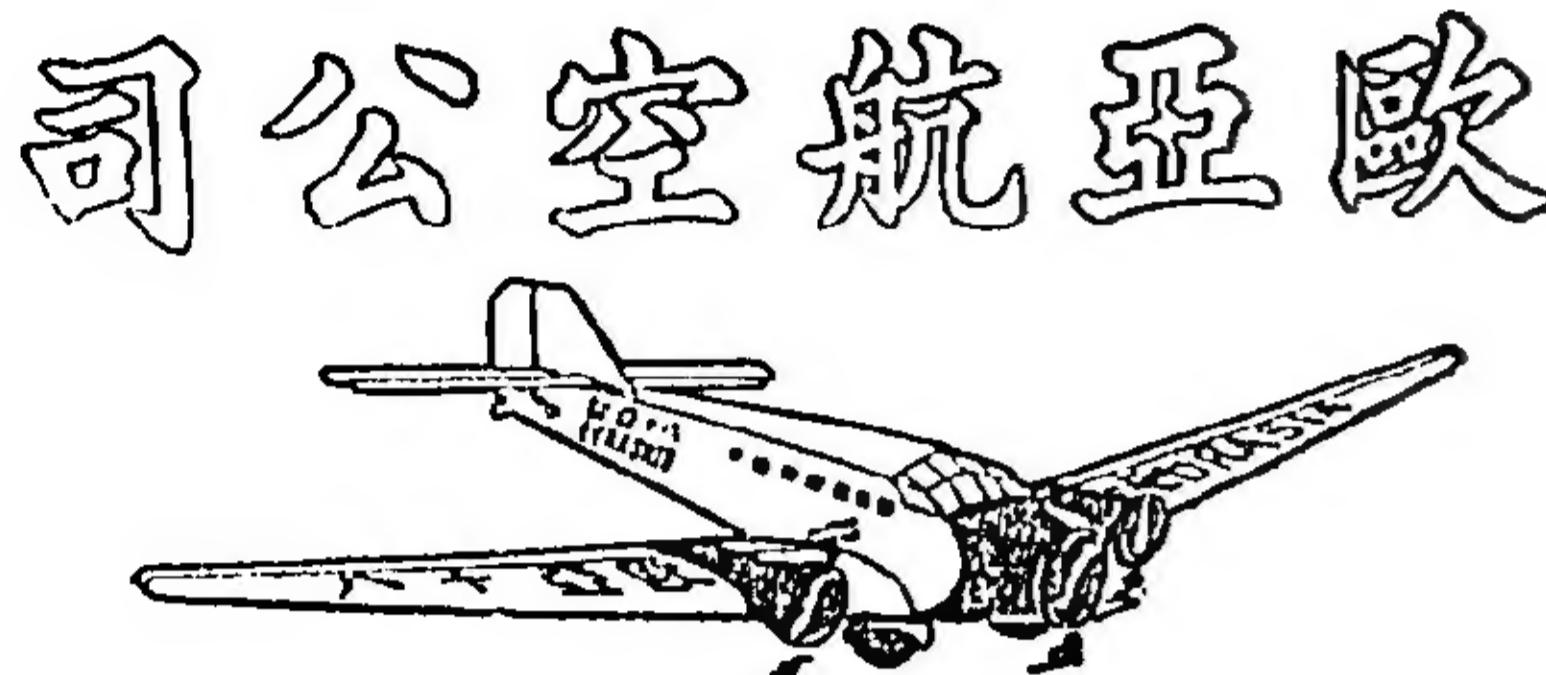
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Baseball
LEAGUE LEADERS DEFEATED
Giants, Indians Slip Badly

New York, May 5. New York Giants and Cleveland Indians, leaders of the National and American Basball Leagues respectively, were both beaten to-day, the former by Cincinnati Reds and the latter by Washington Senators.

The Giants were outplayed, scoring only two runs against the Reds' five. Pittsburgh Pirates, who started so well, recovered slightly with a win over Brooklyn Dodgers, and the Chicago Cubs had a short-fest against the Philadelphia Phillies, who were beaten by the lopsided score of 21-2. Boston Braves hitting nine "singles" against the St. Louis Cardinals, eight won by 8-2.

For the second time in two days, Washington Senators beat the Cleveland Indians in the American League. Though they forced ten men home, the St. Louis team had to bow to defeat against New York Yankees, for whom Joe DiMaggio hit another home run.

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Scores:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Brooklyn	2	5	1
Pittsburgh	4	7	0
(Camilli homered for the Dodgers)			
New York	2	6	1
Cincinnati	5	10	0
Philadelphia	2	6	1
Chicago	21	18	0
(Collins and Galan homered for the Cubs)			
Boston	5	9	0
St. Louis	2	8	0
(English homered for the Braves)			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit	7	14	1
Boston	5	13	0
(York homered twice and Greenberg once for the Tigers, and Fox once for the Red Sox)			
Chicago	10	17	1
Philadelphia	4	7	0
(Berger and Walker homered for the White Sox)			
Cleveland	6	13	1
Washington	8	15	0
(Stone homered for the Senators)			
St. Louis	10	12	0
New York	12	16	3
(Bell and Sullivan homered for the Browns, and Joe DiMaggio and Henrich for the Yankees)			

(Berger and Walker homered for the White Sox).

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Battle of Talerchwang" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Chief interest in this film, which has been rushed to Hongkong for screening, lies in the "shots" of the country in which some of the severest fighting in the present Sino-Japanese hostilities has been taking place, and of the leaders of the Chinese armies. A few more English sub-titles would increase the value of the film considerably for foreign audiences; but for Chinese, the picture is well studded with subtitles and explanations.

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" (Queen's and Alhambra

IN TOWN TO-DAY

Ho Ka-lau, Former Colony Interporter

Ho Ka-lau, former Hongkong Interporter team player, who captained the Colony team which beat Haon and Sulon players in an Interport in 1934, has returned to Hongkong.

For years one of the most prominent of local tennis players, Ho Ka-lau, not only played regularly in the Chinese Recreation Club senior league teams, but was a leading competitor in the Colony championships. He was runner-up in the doubles championship with Paul Kong in 1930 and again with W. C. Hung in 1935.

He several times reached the semi-final of the singles championship, his most historic match being against Tam Yee-fong, in 1934, when they played three times before a result could be reached, and even then Ho was beaten only because he was attacked with cramp and could not continue.

Ho arrived in Hongkong yesterday from Shanghai, where he is in business. He is on a business trip at the present, but does not know how long he will remain in the Colony. He said that he had not played a great deal of tennis recently, although he had, for two years, assisted a Chinese team to win the Shanghai senior league.

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(Camilli homered for the Dodgers)			
New York	2	6	1
Cincinnati	5	10	0
Philadelphia	2	6	1
Chicago	21	18	0
(Collins and Galan homered for the Cubs)			
Boston	5	9	0
St. Louis	2	8	0
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KENTUCKY DERBY FAVOURITE OUT

Louisville, May 6.

Mr. Maxwell Howard's Stangchand, favourite for Saturday's Kentucky Derby, has developed a cold and has been scratched from the race, leaving a field of ten.—Reuter.

Theatres, to-day).—As refreshing as a cool breeze on a hot summer's day, and as welcome as a pay increase, the new and greatest Walt Disney production is here at last. A landmark of film making, it was an amazing feat to inject such dramatic realism and spontaneity into what, after all, are merely so many photographed drawings. This is truly motion picture art, not to mention its being one of the most captivating screen experiences we have had. It is as entertaining for adults as it undoubtedly is for the kiddies.

"It's Love I'm After" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—One of the slickest comedies seen for a long time, and one which can be classed with "Awful Truth" and "Bringing Up Baby," which is saying a great deal. Leslie Howard, Bette Davis and Olivia de Havilland have the leading roles.

"David Copperfield" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Charles Dickens' classic made a film by M.G.M. A huge cast, capable direction; result, a splendid picture.

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A.R.P. FINAL LESSON

Study First Aid
SEVEN FINAL POINTS

THE Carringtons—that typically Kowloon family who have been receiving A.R.P. instruction through the *Hongkong Telegraph*—have their final lesson to-day.

A few days ago, A.R.P. was just a phrase to them which meant some sort of precautionary effort in the event of war.

Now they know all details of this great scheme for national home defence which, far from bringing war nearer, should make it more remote.

They have learned not to rely entirely on the facilities provided by local authorities, but to co-operate by protecting their own home themselves.

These articles are based on an official booklet issued by the Home Office to all air raid volunteers.

NO WEAK LINK

When in doubt, Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, go to the local A.R.P. officer. You will be well advised to find out the local precautions.

"The success of our defence scheme largely depends on the degree of co-operation between local authorities and householders. The authorities will give you warnings; provide ambulance, fire-fighting and other facilities—but only you can provide the defence for your own home."

And in defending your own home you will indirectly be defending the homes of scores of other families. There must be no weak link, no unprotected house with a light in the window to cancel out your caution.

So, Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, start talking A.R.P.; let everyone know that you are a keen A.R.P. couple, and if you are why aren't they?

You may still be a little undecided about your refuge-room. Shall it be the breakfast-room, after all? Why not the garage or that other downstairs room? Seek A.R.P. advice—it will be given gladly.

"POSSERS"

There are thousands of families in need of advice. That is obvious from the scores of letters received from all types of people putting all sorts of precaution "possers."

Yes, Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, you have awakened with a jolt to the realisation that something must be done—and the sooner the better.

And now, you say, what else can we do?

You can take immediate steps to learn something about first aid.

It will be time well spent. You, Mrs. Carrington, have often said that, as soon as your children are a little older, you will send them to first aid classes. A wise idea, but remember that you are not too old to learn a little more.

Don't take the view that you are studying first aid because there may be war. Resist it as an equipment which will serve you well in everyday life.

SIMPLE TRAINING

The A.R.P. give some general principles in their booklet but a simple first-aid training may be had from the St. John Ambulance Brigade.

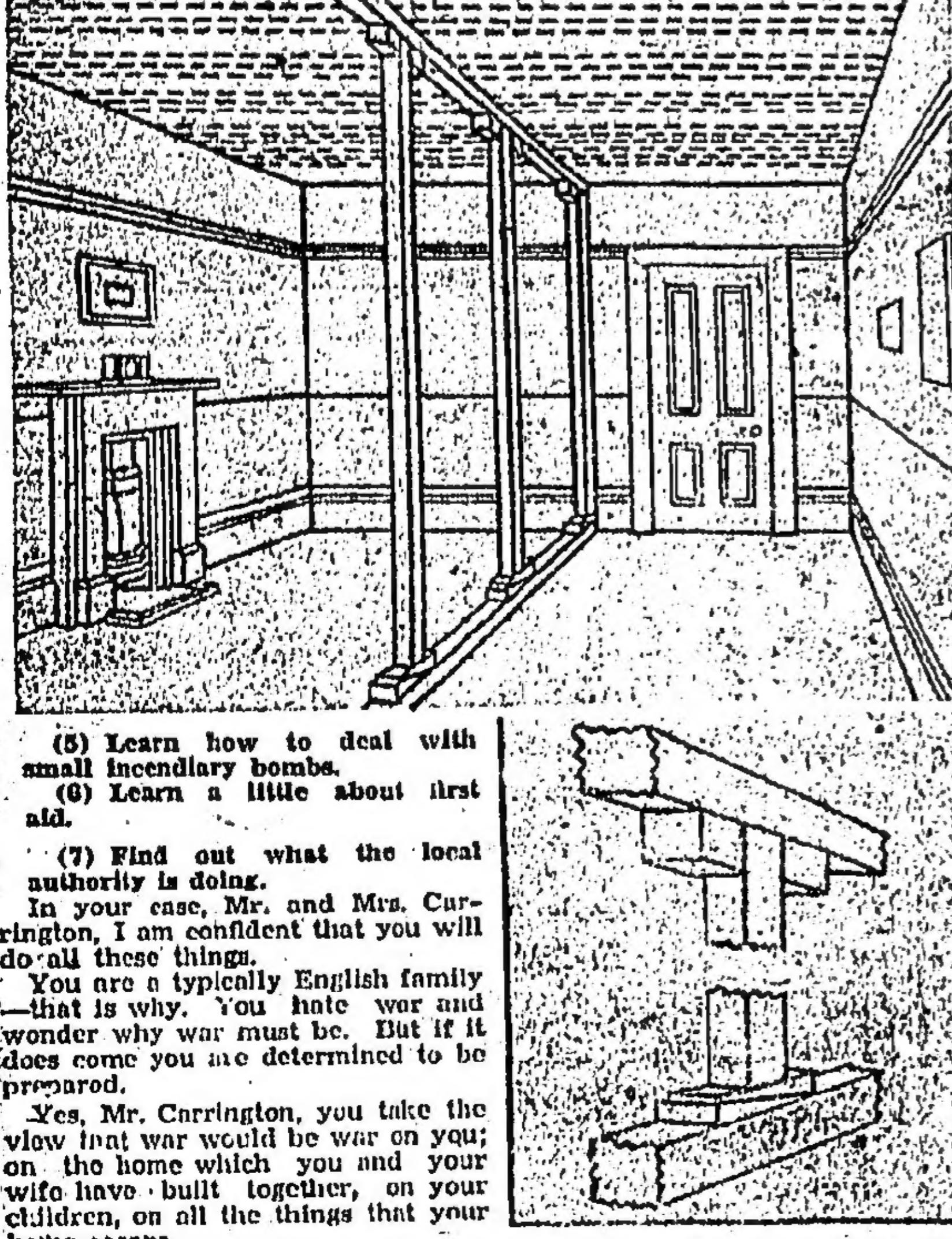
Here is a summary of the instructions given:

(1) Decide now where your refuge room ought to be.

(2) Think how you can make it as secure as possible.

(3) Start to collect the things you would need in it.

(4) Know what to do in case of fire.



(5) Learn how to deal with small incendiary bombs.

(6) Learn a little about first aid.

(7) Find out what the local authority is doing.

In your case, Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, I am confident that you will do all these things.

You are a typically English family—that is why. You hate war and wonder why war must be. But if it does come you are determined to be prepared.

Yes, Mr. Carrington, you take the view that war would be war on you; on the home which you and your wife have built together, on your children, on all the things that your home means.

The cause of war may have nothing to do with you, but you realise that you would be a fool to think like that and do nothing.

For the moment that war is threatened the future of your home is threatened too. That, I realise, is the only reason you have given me such a patient hearing.

London's
Orders

Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, recently issued an order under the Air Raid Precautions Act, 1937, allocating the duties connected with air raid precautions to the London County Council, the City of London Common Council, and the councils of the Metropolitan boroughs.

It will be the duty of each of these authorities to prepare and submit air raid general precaution schemes regarding their respective areas.

Schemes to deal with fire prevention arrangements are to be submitted by the councils concerned after consultation with each other, and they will have to furnish each other with information reasonably required for such an object, and generally to render mutual assistance.

Arrangements have also to be made for the clearance of debris from highways and public places.

Dealing with damaged or unsafe buildings and rescue of persons trapped inside.

Detection of poison gas.

Decontamination of highways, public places, and buildings affected by poison gas.

The recruiting and training of such personnel as may be required for the purposes of the scheme must be carried out, and shelters for the protection of the public will have to be provided.

Both the London County Council and the metropolitan boroughs must be prepared to transfer civilian populations if the Home Office say it is necessary.

Arrangements must be made for the distribution of respirators to the public upon directions being given by the Secretary of State.

An appeal for a large number of men and women auxiliary workers in air raid precautions has been issued by the London County Council Fire Brigade in the form of a pamphlet entitled "The London Auxiliary Fire Service."

It is of vital importance that London's emergency fire brigade organisation should be capable of dealing with large numbers of fires," states the appeal.

HOW IT BEGAN *by Paul E. Berdanier*

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Are You A Good Sportsman?

Test Yourself — By
Answering These
Questions

GO where you will throughout the whole world, and nowhere will find a livelier sporting sense than in England. It is not surprising, therefore, that we all like to be regarded as sportsmen.

Rightly, too; for there is no higher praise than to be called a good sportsman. But you may play all sorts of games, keenly follow the progress of some team or sporting individual, yet be entirely lacking in the real sporting spirit.

On the other hand, while your chances of playing games, or of "following" may be few, you may in the truest and best sense be a sportsman. For we have all got to face the fact that to be a sportsman in the true sense of the term, means something more than playing or watching games.

You need a liberal measure of the genuine sporting spirit. And if that spirit is strong in you, it is bound to find expression in all sorts of ways. It will affect all you do.

To discover, then, whether you're a good sportsman or not, it is necessary to find but what your attitude is in the ordinary affairs of life. The keen footballer who is or greatest value to his side constantly exerts every muscle in order to give of his best. The sporting spirit in its deepest sense results in men and women going "all out" for the benefit of those to whom they owe loyalty.

Self-Knowledge

Can you sink your own individual interests for the good of your home, your business, your town, your country, your fellow-men?

How much of a sportsman—or sportswoman—are you?

Try this test with absolute honesty, and you'll find out! If your score's a low one, at any rate you'll have discovered quite a lot about yourself, and self-knowledge is power, when all's said and done. Maybe you'll discover some hitherto unsuspected weaknesses which you can remedy.

(1) Suppose the team you support, or play for, is engaged in an exceptionally important match. You read that three of their best men are ill and won't be fit to play in the match. Would you be glad?

(2) Imagine a Test match between Australia and England. There's a time-limit, and on the last day of play, the "Aussies" have to make only 20 runs to win, and have nine wickets in hand. Would you like rain to prevent any play that day?

(3) If at your work or home there's an accumulation of things which have been neglected and urgently require attention, could you tackle the job in earnest and cheerfully?

(4) In business or otherwise, do you (or would you if you had the chance) pay money or in other ways help others to extend favour to you?

(5) Are you reliable—keeping promises, appointments, and so on, and never undertaking things without doing them?

A Delicate Situation

(6) Suppose you worked somewhere with your boss's son as a colleague. One day there's a theft and a youth is blamed for it. You know the real culprit is the boss's son. Knowing that to reveal the truth to your employer would most likely make things very awkward for you in the future, would you

(a) Tell him the facts?
(b) Do nothing at all?

(c) Let things take their course, and later try to help the youth in any way possible?

(7) Do you ever help a good cause or a needy individual in any way, without anybody knowing about your action?

(8) Does some form of service for others, without any question of

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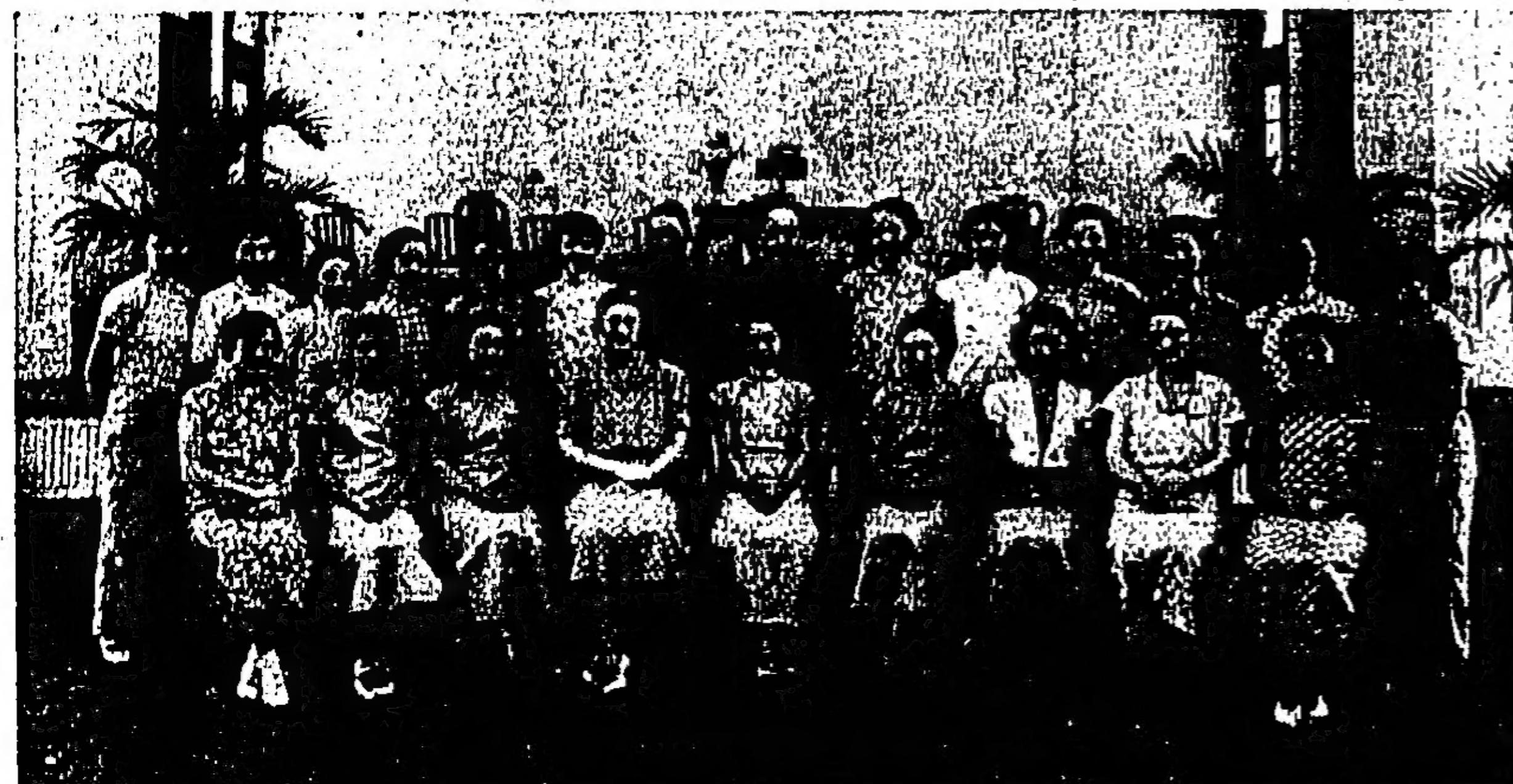
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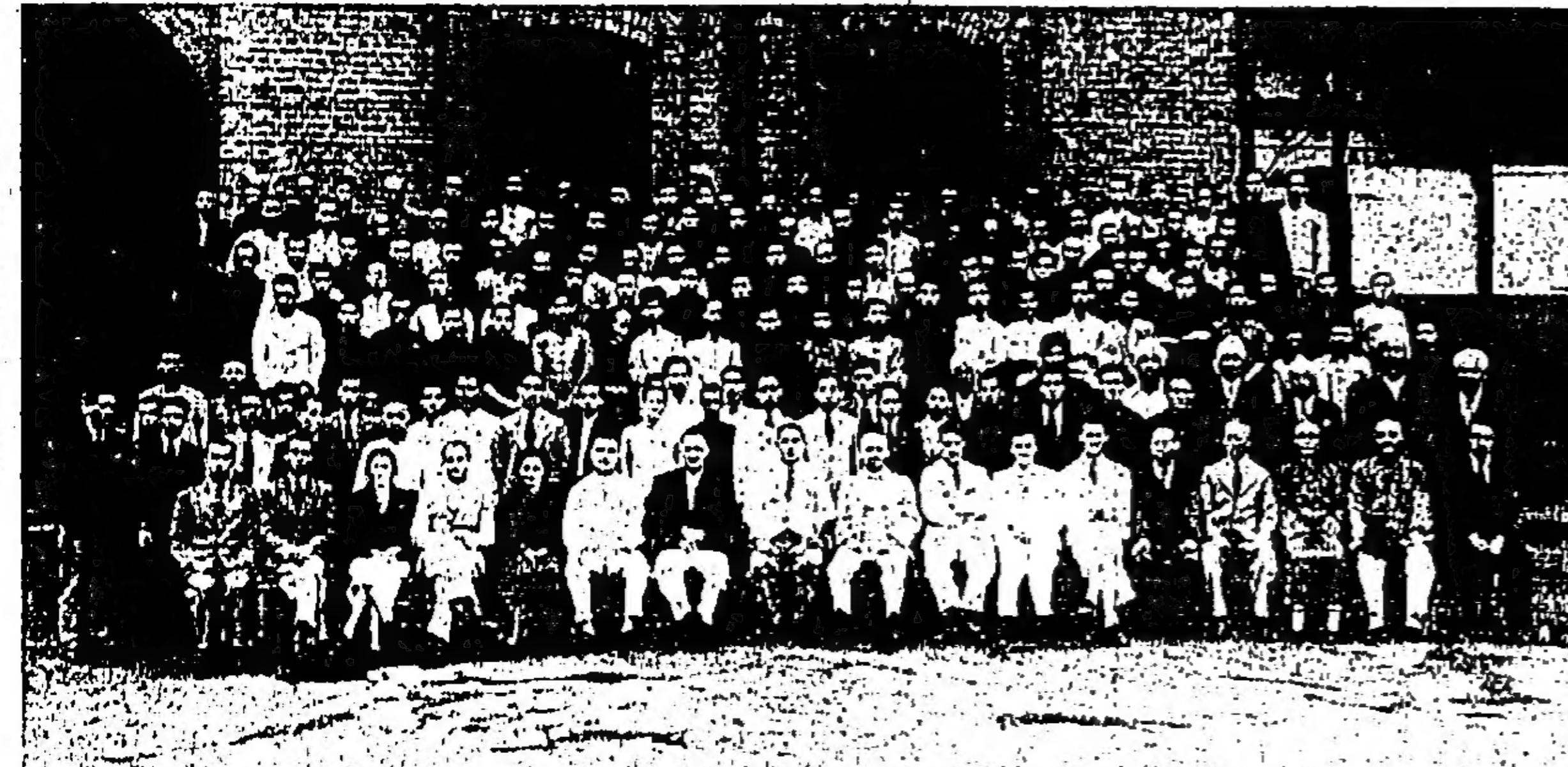
HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE



HONGKONG SCHOOLTEACHERS. Here are the teachers at the Heep Yunn School, who, with the headmistress, Mrs. Cheung, who is in the centre, sat recently for this picture.—*Ming Yuen*.



CONVIVIAL GUESTS at the annual dinner of the Royal Artillery Association, held in the Hotel Cecil last week. The function was featured by the very large attendance.—*Ming Yuen*.



POPULAR SPORTSMAN, and manager of the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Mr. Frank Goodwin was recently farewelled by members of his staff prior to leaving for Home furlough. Here is Mr. Goodwin, seated centre (dark coat) with members of the Gas Company staff.—*Ming Yuen*.



TWO CHARMING participants in the country dances at the German Sports Club, King's Park, last Sunday, on the occasion of the celebration by the local German community of Germany's National Day.—*Staff Photographer*.



MARRIED. Wedded last week at St. Andrew's Church were Mr. P. Morrison and Miss M. A. Rattey, and here are the bride and groom photographed after the ceremony.—*Ming Yuen*.

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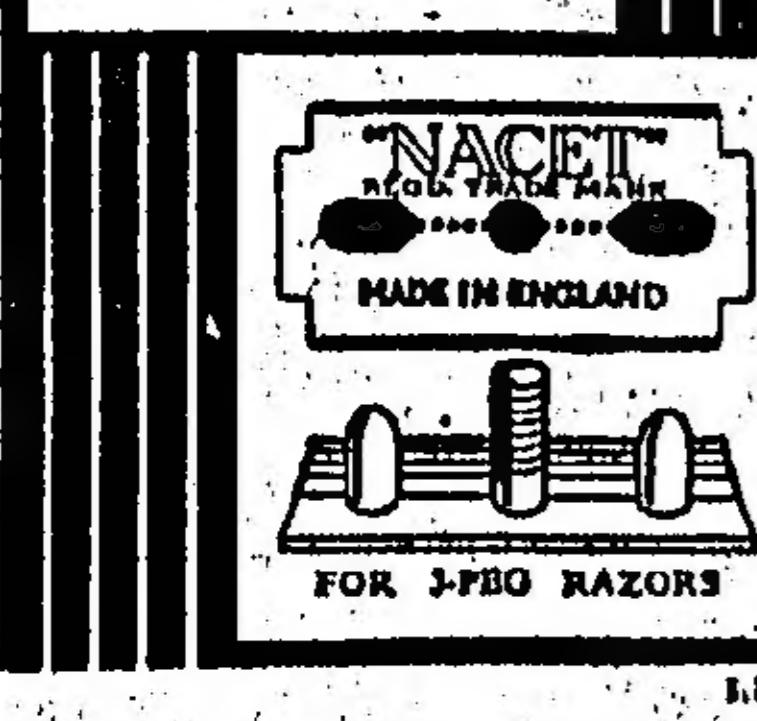
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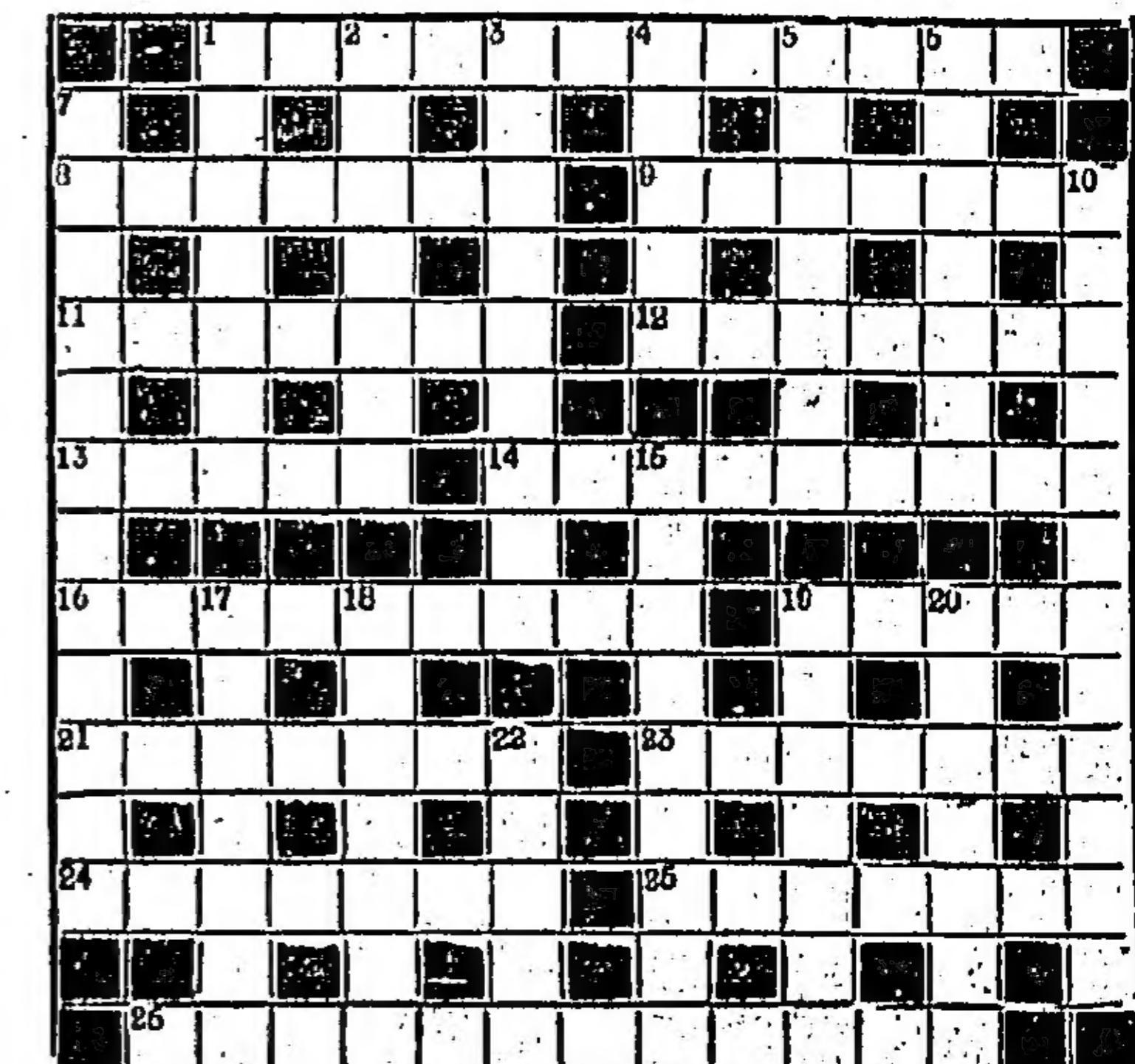
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ACROSS

- Mistaking a moose for a mouse for example (12).
- Damaging a trade combine (7).
- The kind of grievance that is liable to create a bad atmosphere (7).
- She appears in bands (7).
- Basis of influence of curtailed buildings (7).
- Part of a plane (5).
- Motorists are told that this is impaired by the consumption of its beginning (9).
- Capable of improvement, obviously (9).
- It produces coffee (5).
- If the drink is this merely the heart will be enough (7).
- Search for an old drink at last (7).
- I'm one so altered here (7).
- Whereat a nod may be more expensive than a wink (7).
- In firm fashion but put mine off at first (12).

DOWN

- The very horse for the plate? (7).
- Very fit men are in such garb (7).
- The cause of a tardy kick should lead one to make rules (9).
- One would no doubt rather have it removed by a bowler than by a dentist (6).
- What the baby bird did is most orderly (7).

6 On the court the master playing can command it, of course (7).

7 "It's a din I cast" (anag.) (12).

10 A sport that always ends in words (12).

15 Advice to a host (9).

17 Amusement of a former age? (7).

18 Wander after material for centre? (7).

19 At Wimbledon one sees this by 'o' down (7).

20 Orders lacking in this may lead to disorder (7).

22 Seldon, a practical idea (6).

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NON-INTERVENTION BODY STIRRED

NEW AMBASSADOR CALLS ON KING

London, May 5. The French Ambassador in London, M. Charles Corbin, called at the Foreign Office last evening and left a Note on behalf of his Government on certain aspects of matters which had recently been under discussion by the powers who were parties to the Non-Intervention in Spain Agreement.

This communication is receiving immediate consideration by the British Government and it is anticipated that an early meeting of the Non-Intervention Committee may be held. —British Wireless.

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HALIFAX TO ACT AT LEAGUE SESSION

Delicate Problems Before Council

London, May 5. Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, will be the chief British delegate to the League of Nations' Council meeting at Geneva last week.

One of the outstanding topics for deliberation will be the question of the recognition of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia.

Great Britain and France will work in concert, but it has been impossible to decide the method of procedure before the meeting.

It is highly unlikely that the Council will be prepared to adopt the resolution leaving to member-nations individual freedom to decide for themselves whether they should recognise the Italian conquest, as the Council decisions require a unanimous vote, which Soviet Russia's attitude might be expected to preclude.

It is expected that the Chairman will endeavour to sense the requirements of the meeting without pro-

Canadian Held By Japanese

Photographs In Fortified Zone

Osaka, May 6. It is understood that Joseph B. Gilbertson, the Canadian fourth officer of the steamer Heathcote who has been held by the Japanese authorities since April 17 for taking pictures from the vessel while she was in Japanese waters, is not in prison, but is detained in the local jail.

Gilbertson is being held while the Procurator and other officials study the snapshots which he allegedly took of fortified zones. They will determine whether a prosecution is necessary after the photographs have been subjected to thorough examination. —United Press.

ceding to a vote on the subject.

Another interesting item on the agenda is the Swiss request to be allowed to remain a member of the League without the obligation to participate in sanctions. The British and French representatives are expected to support the request, and a formula with this object in view has already been devised. —Reuter.

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BRITISH TROOPS FIGHT FLOODS.

New Enemy Sweeps Palestine

Baghdad, May 5. Severe storms have caused part of the River Euphrates to rise, and towns near Baghdad have been isolated by flooded waters.

British troops have been called out to assist in rescue and relief work.

Many lives have already been reported lost, while livestock and property have suffered extensive damage. —Reuter.

SUSPECTED SNATCHERS REMANDED

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